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BANKING FAILURE.

MR. BREWER PUBLICLY EXAMINED.

QUESTIONED ON AUDITOR AND BALANCE SHEET.

REPROOFS FROM COURT.

Mr. Noel Instone Brewer was publicly examined before his Lordship the Chief Justice this morning in accordance with a Court order in the matter of the Instone Banking Corporation.

The public examination was devoted to the promotion and formation of the Company, to the conduct and business of it, and to Mr. Brewer's conduct and dealings as a director or officer of the Company.

The Official Receiver's questions dealt largely with the balance sheets issued by the Corporation. Mr. Brewer said that after a typewritten balance sheet had been approved it was altered before printing, the Chinese auditor setting out the capital according to Chinese practise.

Mr. Brewer admitted that he had filed the printed balance sheet and contended that it was not inaccurate in a commercial sense. He did not agree that the capital shown in the printed balance sheet was misleading or incorrect but said, in regard to various items set out, that "a moral objection" could be taken to them.

During the examination, the Chief Justice had occasion once or twice to reprove Mr. Brewer for remarks made, and in one instance Mr. Brewer withdrew an observation to the effect that "that is a lie."

DIRECTORS' SHARE PAYMENTS.

Answering questions by the Official Receiver when the examination opened, Mr. Brewer said he was a barrister at law. He had some knowledge of company law and prepared the memorandum and articles of the Instone Banking Corporation. He conducted the legal business of the bank with the exception of litigation.

The Official Receiver:—You also have some knowledge of finance and accounting?—I think so.

In fact you supervised the accounting of the head office and the Hongkong office?—Yes. I claim to know the accounts thoroughly.

You are responsible for the accounts as far as the Instone Banking Corporation goes?—Yes.

And you have been connected with the bank from the time of its inception to the time it went into liquidation?—Yes.

The Moving Spirit.

You were the moving spirit in the formation of it?—I would not say that to be true but I can give you the facts. I took no part in the actual formation of the company. The whole idea emanated from me but I did not solicit shareholders. I produced the idea.

The objects of the company included, of course, banking and also trustee business?—Yes, it was a trustee bank.

Trustee business was intended to be a prominent feature of its activities?—Yes.

And considerable importance was attached to it? It was the sole reason for the formation of the bank. Trustee and bond business.

The official Receiver produced the minutes of a directors' meeting held on December 24, 1927, and Mr. Brewer agreed that a resolution was passed that he should cease to take such an active interest in the banking business in order that he could devote his attention to the trustee business. Recalling the resolution, he said the directors were to appoint a managing director in order to supervise the banking business.

He agreed with the Official Receiver's suggestion that in connexion with the trustee business, the bank would act as financial advisers, and as highly respectable family solicitors.

Public Confidence.

The Official Receiver:—Public confidence would be of vital necessity for your bank?—It was existent at that date.

You were appointed a permanent director of the Instone Banking Corporation?—Yes.

And continued to act as such until the company went into liquidation?—Yes.

You were also appointed President under an agreement dated March 1, 1927?—Yes.

In reply to further questions, Mr. Brewer said the company was incorporated on February 22, 1927, with a registered office at 25, Des Voeux Road Central. On May 16, 1927 it received the certificate entitling it to commence business. In reply to His Lordship he said no deposit was required before business could be started.

Chinese Auditor.

At the statutory meeting held on August 16, 1927, Mr. Li Tung was proposed as auditor. At that time Mr. Brewer said he had no knowledge of the identity of Mr. Li Tung and only knew that he audited for fifteen companies. Before he commenced auditing his qualifications were investigated.

The Official Receiver:—What did you think of his qualifications?—My first conclusion was that he was only qualified to audit Chinese books. My second conclusion was that on reading the ordinance, referring to auditing it was not sufficiently clear for me to upset a *fait accompli*. He had been appointed auditor, and the ordinance makes no provision for distinction between Chinese and other auditors. I took no steps to alter the position.

Don't you think that in the position your company was, with English books except at the branches, it would have been wiser to have had the books audited by a European firm?—I certainly do. As soon as I was in power I arranged the auditing with Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews.

In reply to further questions Mr. Brewer said that the adjourned general meeting was held on July 21, 1928, when a resolution was passed that Mr. Li Tung should be re-elected auditor.

The Official Receiver:—You were content to acquiesce in that appointment?—Yes. I had been absent. I did not know then what I know now.

Failure Denied.

One of the main causes of the company's failure was an absence of working capital?—I entirely disagree. The company never failed. We were prepared to pay the creditors in full and to let the shareholders receiver a settlement amounting to 75 cents in the

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TYPHOON HAVOC IN INDO-CHINA.

SEVERAL FATALITIES REPORTED.

TRAIN OF DESTRUCTION IN MANY TOWNS.

MISSING LINER SAFE.

Further news of the disastrous typhoon which entered the Gulf of Tongking on the night of July 29th-30th, striking Haiphong in its course, show that tremendous damage was caused over a wide area.

The typhoon swept inland, affecting practically the whole Province of Tongking, leaving a train of destruction in its wake.

Besides the feared loss of the Customs cruiser Spadon, with over twenty people aboard, including four French officers, through the craft being carried out to sea, considerable anxiety prevails as to the fate of the Gouverneur-General Roume.

This steamer, a 3,000-ton Chargeurs Reunis liner employed on the Saigon-Haiphong run, should have reached Haiphong on the day of the typhoon, but up to Wednesday last she had not been traced.

Narrow Escapes.

At Doson, situated at the entrance of the river channel into Haiphong, several houses were blown down, with consequential narrow escapes for French residents who were spending their summer vacation at this watering place.

Further inland, a train was held up, the river burst its dam and flooded a large area, while telegraphic communications were interrupted at many points through the blowing down of the lines.

A ferry boat was sunk at Haiphong, while the s.s. Chang Kiang, which arrived at Hongkong yesterday, brought news of having gone through a dangerous experience, when her anchor chain snapped and she was nearly hurled against the river bank at Haiphong. Prompt working of the engines, however, saved the ship from disaster.

Missing Liner.

Regarding the liner Gouverneur-General Roume, she should have arrived at Haiphong on the day of the typhoon, but up to Wednesday last she had not been seen or heard of since.

When the storm broke, with a suddenness which left the port completely unprepared, the liner was nearing Haiphong, with a large number of passengers aboard. She did not, however, turn up as expected, and there are fears of a repetition of the Cap Lay disaster, when many hundreds of passengers lost their lives through the ship being hurled against one of the numerous rocky islets which abound on this part of the coast.

The s.s. Gouverneur-General Roume was built in 1902 by Messrs. Gourlay Bros. and Co., of Dundee, for the Societie des Affreteurs Indochinois. She is of 2,969 tons, and her dimensions are:—Length, 335 feet; breadth, 43.2 feet; depth, 20.6 feet. Her port of registry is Haiphong.

Safe Arrival.

Later.

With the arrival of the s.s. Song Bo in Hongkong to-day, it was learned that the Gouverneur-General Roume, previously reported as missing, had arrived safely at Haiphong.

She reported having been severely buffetted by the typhoon, but was in a sound condition when she finally made port on Thursday.

Conditions produced by the typhoon are compared by Frenchmen to a similar disaster which overtook the French Protectorate in 1903, when heavy damage, attended by the loss of many lives, was recorded.

On Monday night, July 29th, the vortex of the storm passed over the Tongkin coast, heading straight for Moncay. It appears then to have curved back towards Dosun, where it wreaked considerable havoc amongst the buildings, most of which were damaged.

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JAPANESE MINING DISASTER.

TERRIFIC EXPLOSION IN HOKKAIDO AREA.

FEARED DEATH OF 79.

Tokyo, Aug. 5.

Only the briefest details are so far available concerning a serious disaster which occurred in the Hokkaido coal-mining district yesterday morning.

The mine affected is known as the Kashinai Mine, and it is stated that eighty-three men were working underground.

Soon after the new shift had been placed on, a terrific explosion occurred, undoubtedly due to gas. The mine was wrecked and there have been serious falls.

The bodies of ten victims have been recovered so far, and the only survivors are four men who were taken out suffering from the effects of the deadly gas. They have been revived and are expected to recover.

Rescue parties are now working feverishly in quest of the entombed miners, but it is feared that there is little hope of saving them. There are 69 men known to be entombed, and it is thought that those who were not buried by the explosion must have been asphyxiated.—*Reuter.*

Later.

According to the *Nichi Nichi*, up to a late hour last night 52 bodies had been recovered, 24 given up as dead, five were injured, and three had escaped unhurt.

The *Asahi* puts the figures at 71 dead, five injured, and eight unhurt.

News despatches describe pathetic scenes at the pit-head, where anxious wives, mothers and children of the entombed miners have gathered awaiting the latest reports.—*Reuter.*

HOLIDAY'S TOLL OF THE ROAD.

TWENTY-FIVE PERSONS KILLED IN ENGLAND.

London, Aug. 6.

Twenty-five persons were killed and no fewer than 71 injured during the week-end, as the result of road accidents.

The most serious incident concerned a motor-car which crashed through the parapet of Staines Bridge, falling twenty-five feet. As a result, one of the occupants was killed and four seriously hurt.

Accidents were doubtless minimised because the roads to London last night were so jammed that motor-cars were obliged to proceed at a funeral pace.—*Reuter.*

OSTEND COLLISION DISASTER.

LATEST CASUALTY LIST: 17 KILLED OR MISSING.

Ostend, Aug. 5.

It has now been ascertained that eleven people are dead, half a dozen are missing, and twenty-three are injured as the result of the collision yesterday.

All the victims are Belgians. The collision occurred between an excursion steamer and a motor-boat carrying fifty passengers.—*Reuter.*

SHANGHAI CHOLERA INFECTED.

JAPANESE AUTHORITIES TAKE ACTION.

Tokyo, Aug. 5.

In view of the increasing number of cholera cases from Shanghai, the authorities have decided to declare Shanghai an infected port as from Thursday next. All ships from Shanghai will be required to go into quarantine, while the importation of foodstuffs and drinkables is prohibited.—*Reuter.*

The Royal Observatory reports that the anticyclone remains in the Pacific to the east of Japan. Depressions are situated over Shantung, Tongking and to the south-east of the Loochoos. The forecast till noon to-morrow is:—S.E. or variable winds, moderate; cloudy; rain.

GRAF ZEPPELIN IN AMERICA.

UNEXPECTED TRIP TO NEW YORK.

FLIGHT ROUND THE WORLD BEGINS TO-MORROW.

"WONDERFUL VOYAGE"

New York, Aug. 5.

The flight of the Graf Zeppelin from the time she took off at Friedrichshafen until she made a perfect landing at Lakehurst Aerodrome occupied 96 hours, 23 minutes. All on board were well and happy with the exception of the stowaway, who has been in solitary confinement since he was discovered.

All the passengers expressed themselves as thrilled by the "wonderful voyage."

The landing was one of the finest ever seen at Lakehurst. The airship cruised slowly towards the great mooring-mast and was safely anchored at 10.52 p.m. last night. She was anchored during a brisk wind, but this gradually died down and at 1.55 a.m. this morning, she was pulled down and "walked" into the hangar by the ground crew.

Round World Trip Next.

Dr. Eckener stated that the Graf Zeppelin will start on the return trip to Friedrichafen on Wednesday evening, and that this return journey will be the first stage of a flight round the world.

The Graf Zeppelin was actually sighted over Lakehurst at about eight o'clock last night, arriving in 93 hours, 43 minutes, but Dr. Eckener was unable to resist the temptation to circle the field and then to fly to New York where he circled the city and then returned to Lakehurst.

The passengers in the meantime dined heartily off Frankfurter sausage, sauerkraut and wine.

Regular Service Planned.

Dr. Kiep, the manager of Hapag, said that the Company had decided to put its whole organisation behind the project of building airships. The performance of the Graf Zeppelin had proved that other ships could be built with stronger engines so that Transatlantic trips would be made with greater regularity and speed.

The stowaway has been given into the hands of the immigration authorities, and he is to be returned to Germany under escort by the first available boat.

Very busy preparations are now being made at Lakehurst for the return of the Graf Zeppelin across the Atlantic.

Envelope Damaged.

At the present time, workmen are swarming all over the great airship patching the tiny holes torn in the envelope by the wind. At the same time, hydrogen, fuel and provisions are being placed on board.

In the course of the day, Dr. Eckener informed journalists that four new Zeppelins, each of which will be twice the size of the Graf Zeppelin are to be built for the Transatlantic service; the first one will be started in 1931.

Last night, the Graf Zeppelin landed nineteen passengers, one stowaway, six hundred canaries, fifteen bags of mail and a gorilla chimpanzee.

Thousands of spectators came from all over the United States to watch the landing of the great ship and hundreds have been given permission for an examination of the interior of the craft.

Visiting Japan.

The monster ship takes off for Friedrichshafen on Wednesday and she is expected back in the United States at Richmond, Virginia, on August 29th, from Tokyo, via Los Angeles.

Her round the world trip will start officially from Lakehurst. She will travel first to Friedrichshafen, from there to Moscow and from there to Tokyo. In crossing the Pacific to America, the Zeppelin will travel by the great circle route to the north, and travel down the coast to Los Angeles, according to present arrangements. No doubt, Dr. Eckener will be guided by the weather con-

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RIDER MAIN WATER SUPPLY.

GOVERNMENT DECIDES TO GIVE 2 HOURS DAILY.

RESERVOIR FIGURES.

It is announced this morning that the Government has decided to grant a water supply to the rider main districts. The change of restrictions, which follows further representations by the Chinese community, comes into force on Thursday.

A supply of two hours' daily will be given to each of the six rider main districts, though each will have different hours of supply.

Another change announced by the Government affects the principal mains. They will be closed each night from 7 p.m. to 6 a.m. instead of from 6 to 6 as at present. This effects an additional hour's supply to those on the principal main.

Mr. A. B. Purves, the Water Engineer, informed Press representatives this morning that the total gain in the island reservoirs since Saturday morning is only 64,000,000 gallons, the average approximate rainfall being one inch. The total in storage is now 1,264,000,000 gallons, and not 1,400,000,000 as erroneously stated yesterday.

Tytam Tuk is still filling up nicely and the reservoir is now only 44 feet below overflow, as compared with over 105 feet less than a month ago. The average gain in the past three days has been about a foot.

FAST FLIGHT TO INDIA FROM ENGLAND.

DUCHESS OF BEDFORD STARTS RETURN TO-DAY.

Karachi, Aug. 5.

The Duchess of Bedford's giant monoplane "The Spider" landed at Karachi at 6.55 p.m. to-day, after a splendid flight from England.

The Duchess who is 64 years of age, proposes to commence the return flight to England at 6 o'clock to-morrow morning.

Her machine is piloted by Captain D.C. Barnard, and the only other occupant is a mechanic named Little. It is hoped to complete a return flight to India and back in a week, and the beginning has been excellent. The giant machine took off from Lympne just before dawn on Friday, thus they flew to India in 3½ days.—*Reuter.*

LANCASHIRE COTTON DISPUTE.

OPERATIVES RESIST WAGE NEGOTATION.

London, Aug. 5.

At a full Delegate Meeting of the Operative Spinners' Amalgamation, held at Manchester to-day, it was decided by a substantial majority to turn down the recommendation of the Executive Committee to re-open negotiations for a settlement of the cotton dispute.—*Reuter.*

Mediator Possible.

Later.

Lord Derby is mentioned as the possible mediator in the cotton dispute.—*Reuter.*

MOTOR BANDITS IN LONDON.

C.I.D. AUGMENTED BY LORD BYNG.

London, Aug. 6.

Lord Byng, the Chief Commissioner of the Metropolitan Police, has promoted fifty uniformed police to augment the Criminal Investigation Department at Scotland Yard in order to meet the growing menace of motor bandits.—*Reuter.*

BROOKLANDS RECORD.

REMARKABLE EFFORT BY KAYE DON.

London, Aug. 5.

Kaye Don, the American motorist, driving a Sunbeam has established a new flying lap track record at Brooklands, exceeding 134 miles an hour.—*Reuter.*

FLOOD DISASTER IN CHIHLI.

PEKING SUBURBS FIVE FEET UNDER WATER.

AREA OF OVER 200 SQUARE MILES DEVASTATED.

"LIKE A TIDAL WAVE."

A graphic story of the terrible flood disaster in Chihli Province comes to hand this morning. Caused by the bursting of the banks of the Yungtingho (Huwho), it is estimated that a huge inland lake over 200 square miles in extent has formed to the south of Peking, hundreds of villages being overwhelmed.

Peking itself was seriously threatened, the flood waters reaching right up to the streets of the western suburbs, but the cessation of the heavy rain yesterday, after many days, has allayed apprehension.

Less Than Mile From City.

Peking, Aug. 5.

Peking itself is now seriously threatened by the floods, which have devastated an enormous area in Chihli. The disaster is on a huge scale almost unprecedented in the history of the district, and the rushing waters have swept across the country with such terrible rapidity that it is impossible at the moment to gain accurate information regarding the havoc wreaked.

The flood waters are now rapidly nearing Peking, and already roads in the Western suburbs are five feet under water. The swirling tides are now less than a mile from the walls of the city, but there was a hopeful sign this afternoon when the rain, which has been pouring down steadily for days, suddenly ceased, the sky clearing within an hour or so.

Rapid Spread.

If similar conditions now prevail in the mountains through which the Yungtingho runs, further serious damage may be avoided.

The floods have spread so rapidly during this week-end that it is impossible to obtain accurate information of the area flooded and the number of unfortunate people involved.

However, it is estimated that more than two hundred square miles of country are under water, in some places to a depth of forty and fifty feet.

Many Drowned.

Hundreds of villages have been inundated and the flood swept down with such trifling warning that, unquestionably, many people have been drowned.

Yesterday, for instance, following torrential rain, which was probably heavier in the mountains, the flood waters swept across the country like a tidal wave.

The casualties caused by the "avalanche" cannot be estimated, but it is learned that two policemen and some rickshamen, who were taking supplies to houses in the Western Hills, were swept off the mainroad and carried bodily by the flood into the hills. They have not been heard of since.

Thousands of head of cattle have been drowned, and a very promising harvest has been ruined. Cereal prices in Peking have risen by leaps and bounds.

Another River Overflows.

The Wenyuho, another river to the east of Peking is now overflowing, and the flood from this region is now threatening Tungchow, twelve miles to the east of Peking.—*Reuter.*

As reported by Reuter on Monday, the flood disaster round Peking has been caused by the overflowing of the Yungtingto, which runs from the Western Hills past South West Peking. The heavy rains caused the river to change its course completely, converted enormous areas to the south and west of Peking into inland seas.

Thousands of refugees have been pouring into Peking.

It was stated that the right bank of the river had gone completely, but the left bank, which formed a protection to Peking was apparently holding. All the available timber along the banks was cut days ago in order to strengthen the banks.

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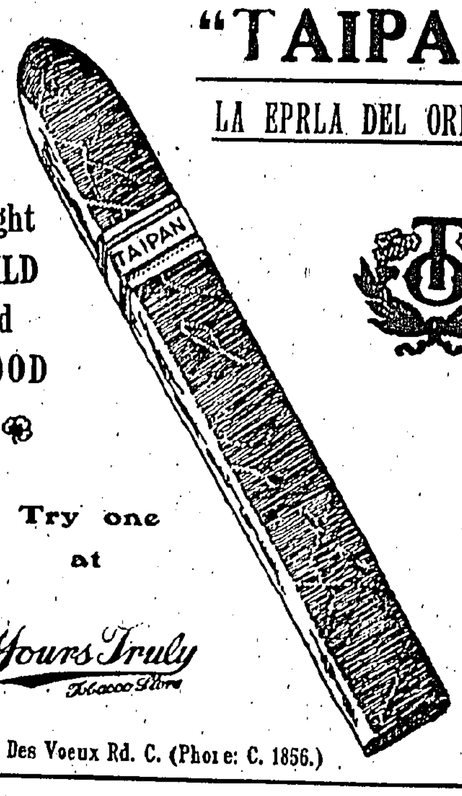

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OBITUARY.

HEAD OF TEXTILE FIRM COMMITS SUICIDE.

Berlin, Aug. 5.

Herr Simon, head of the old textile company of Simon Brothers, has committed suicide, presumably as a result of heavy financial losses.

His liabilities are estimated at a million sterling, but friends propose to reorganise the firm so as to avoid liquidation.

Herr Simons' art collection is very valuable, and the idea of parting with it had depressed him.—*Reuter.*

Emile Berliner.

New York, Aug. 5.

The death is announced of Emile Berliner, the inventor of the telephonic transmitter and gramophone.—*Reuter's American Service.*

[Emile Berliner was born at Hanover, Germany, on May 20, 1851, and graduated at Samson School, Wolfenbuttel. In 1865. He went to the United States in 1870 and was married eleven years later to Cora Adler of Washington.

He invented the loose contact telephone transmitter or microphone in 1877. He discovered that a loose contact will act as a telephone receiver and was the first to use an induction coil in connexion with transmitters. He is the patentee of other valuable inventions in telephony.

Berliner invented in 1887 the gramophone, the first talking machine, which utilizes a groove of even depth and varying direction, and in which the record groove not only vibrates but also propels the stylus across the record (known also as the Victor Talking Machine), for which he was awarded the John Scott Medal and the Elliott Cresson Gold Medal by Franklin Institute, Philadelphia. He also invented and perfected the present method of duplicating disc records.

Berliner has been engaged in an educational campaign against the dangers of raw milk and other dairy products since 1901. He is the author and co-author of pamphlets dealing with the prevention of sickness. He planned and was a member of the Washington Milk Conference, 1907.

He was the first to make use in aeronautical experiments of a light weight revolving cylinder internal combustion motor, now extensively used on aeroplanes. Under his general directions his son, Henry, designed the first successful helicopter, rising and sustaining himself in it. He was President from 1915 to 1921 of the D.C. Tuberculosis Association.]

JUNKS DAMAGED.

STRUCK BY LAUNCH AND CARGO JETTISONED.

Two cargo junks were damaged when they were struck by a steam launch while loading coal alongside the s.s. Tanda, shortly after 9 a.m yesterday.

The exact extent of the damage is not yet known, but the cargo of both junks had to be thrown overboard to prevent them from sinking.

No-one was injured in the collision.

AMERICAN CRUISERS.

SENATOR'S PROTEST AGAINST SUSPENSION OF WORK.

Washington, Aug. 5.

A declaration has been issued by Senator C. E. Swanson, of Virginia, to the effect that President Hoover has proceeded "contrary to law" in directing suspension of work on three cruisers, asserting that Congress has given its plain mandate for the cruisers' construction.—*Reuter's American Service.*

CANTON-HANKOW RAILWAY.

BOXER INDEMNITY MONEY TO COMPLETE.

Canton, Aug. 3.

In June, 1925, an Advisory Committee was appointed under an Act of Parliament to consider the uses to which the British share of the Boxer Indemnity should be devoted. They were of the unanimous opinion, (quoting from the China Year Book, 1928), "that the most profitable work of outstanding national importance will be the extension of railways, and they strongly recommend the construction of the unfinished section of the Canton-Hankow railway."

For many years construction work on this, the main artery of China's system of communications, has been at a standstill. Through lack of funds, but due as much to disturbed political conditions as anything else, what was built of this line has been allowed to run down at the heels, and rolling stock, rails, sleepers and all have deteriorated. But the decadent railway is about to take on a new lease of life, and in addition to rejuvenating the worn-out parts, and bringing the existing sections of the Canton-Hankow railway to a high state of efficiency, the intervening sections, which have been surveyed but never constructed, will be built, and that before much time has elapsed.

Loan to be Floated.

The Communications Minister, Mr. Sun Fo, has rendered his report to the National Government wherein he has asked that a loan of $65,000,000 be floated, for it will cost something like this to finish the job; and the authorities in Nanking were so impressed by Mr. Sun's recommendations that they have given their authorization, and it has been agreed that available Boxer Indemnity funds shall be set aside as the guarantee that the $65,000,000 will be repaid to the lenders. The greater part of the security will come from the Russian Boxer Indemnity, but there will also be available about $3,000,000 left from the Belgian Indemnity funds which may be used for the purchase of materials. An understanding with the Belgian Government has been arrived at: as far as it goes this $3,000,000 must be used to buy Belgian made products, and it is understood that some orders have already been placed in Antwerp for equipment required by the Canton-Hankow line.

The Survey.

At one time or another all of the uncompleted portion of this railroad system was surveyed. But Mr. H. S. Chuck, Managing Director and Chief Engineer of the Yueh Han Railway, Chuchow-Shiuchow Section, has recommended to the Ministry of Communications that besides the surveying party that is now in the field, three other parties will be sent out to relocate the route. As previously surveyed, the grade in part of the uncompleted sections is more than 70 per cent. and one problem is to find stretches of country close to the surveyed line of such a nature that, by slight changes in the proposed route, the grade may be cut down to 70 per cent. or less.

The Canton to Shiuchow Section, in operation more than fifteen years, is 139 miles in length. From Hankow down to Chuchow another 360 miles of track were laid, and that section was opened to traffic in 1921. There remains a stretch of country 270 miles across over which tracks must be laid before Hankow will have through railroad communication with Canton.

Work in Six Districts.

For convenience in carrying on construction work, the Chuchow Section has been divided into six districts, not by even number of miles, but by controlling cities which the line must pass through. The proposal is to start work in all six districts simultaneously. It is estimated that even under the most favourable conditions it will require a full five years to finish the work.

A motor highway has been built from Shiuchow to Lohchong, and in a few hours the traveller is carried from one northern Kwangtung city to the other. This highway will greatly facilitate the transportation of construction materials, for it parallels the proposed roadbed in many places.

In this district, the work of surveying is well-nigh completed, and some parts of the line have already been started. For instance, the piers of an 800 foot bridge across the Nam Yung (Nan Hsiung) River at Shiuchow have been laid. Besides, progress has been made on the 1400 foot Kao Lin Chuen Tunnel. From the south end 560 feet have already been driven and lined with concrete, and from the north end 215 feet have been driven.

Mountainous Country.

By far the most difficult part of the whole line for both survey and construction is that which passes through the Lohchong-Pingshih District. This is due to the mountainous nature of the terrain, it being necessary for the line to skirt the edge of a gorge. The river banks are made up of very hard limestone, which must be cut away to form the roadbed. Progress will necessarily be so slow that even the surveyors can proceed but a quarter of a mile a day. Sixty odd tunnels, and many heavy rock cuts have to be made in this district.

A large percentage of the rest of the line that remains to be built will pass through rolling country, but problems of survey and construction will not be difficult to solve.

In the Lokow-Chuchow District, a great deal of work has been done in the past. All of the grading work has been completed; all the culverts are in place; all of the bridge piers have been sunk; some station buildings have been erected, and all of the rails have been laid. However, just sufficient sleepers were put down to hold the rails together, and under the sleepers there is a total absence of ballast. Nor have any of the bridges been built.

Hengchow, Mr. H. S. Chuck suggested in his report to Mr. Sun Fo, is the logical place for the head office if work on the whole line is undertaken simultaneously. This is a large city near the centre of the gap over which rails are to be laid. It has the further advantage of enjoying quick communication with Nanking.

Until bonds have been issued and money raised, the actual work of construction cannot be started. Managing Director Chuck cannot say how long it will be before there will be money in hand, but he does not believe it will take a great while to get this project under way. And, in the meanwhile, preliminary work is going on apace and, as related above, part of the needed equipment has already been contracted for.

LABOUR'S RECORD.

SOCIALIST M.P. DECLARES IT DISAPPOINTING.

London, Aug. 5.

"We are not prepared to wait centuries for Socialism," declared Mr. J. Maxton, M.P., in his inaugural speech at the Labour Party's summer school at Digswell Park, Hertfordshire. He said that the Government's two months' record was most disappointing. They must insist on disarmament. He expressed the opinion that defence armaments in peace time, when reduced to the final analysis, was that they were required for the defence of the Empire. The Socialist Government should break up the Empire into constituent parts as soon as possible.

Replying to Mr. George Bernard Shaw regarding the cotton industry crisis, Mr. Maxton said that the Government was empowered to declare a state of emergency.—*Reuter.*

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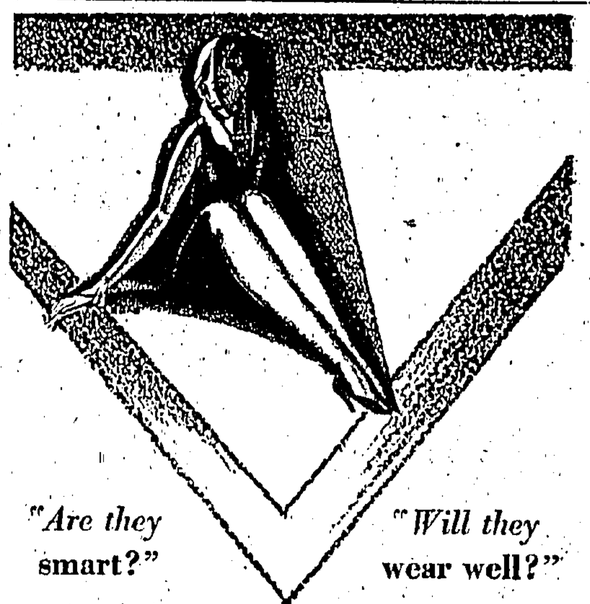

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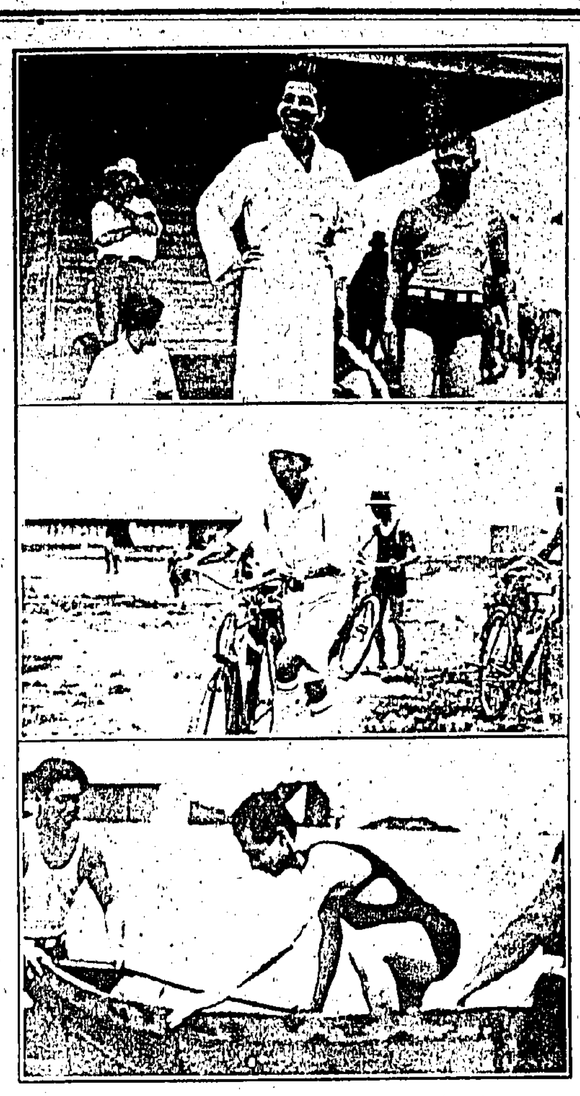
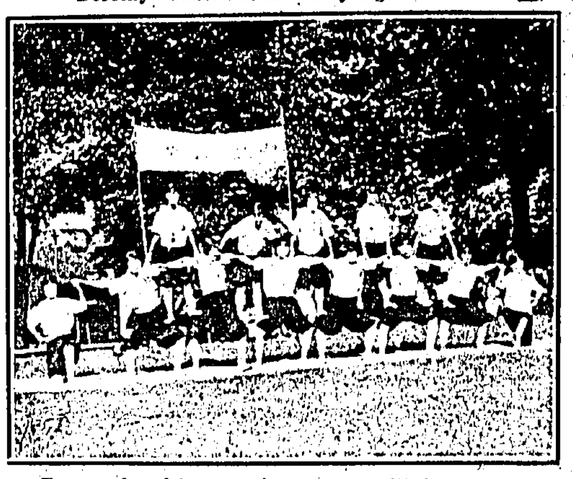


Glimpses of Marshal Chang Hsueh-liang in a holiday mood at Peitaiho. The Marshal's day began with a swim and he invariably rode home on his "bike." His afternoons were devoted to tennis or long walks.

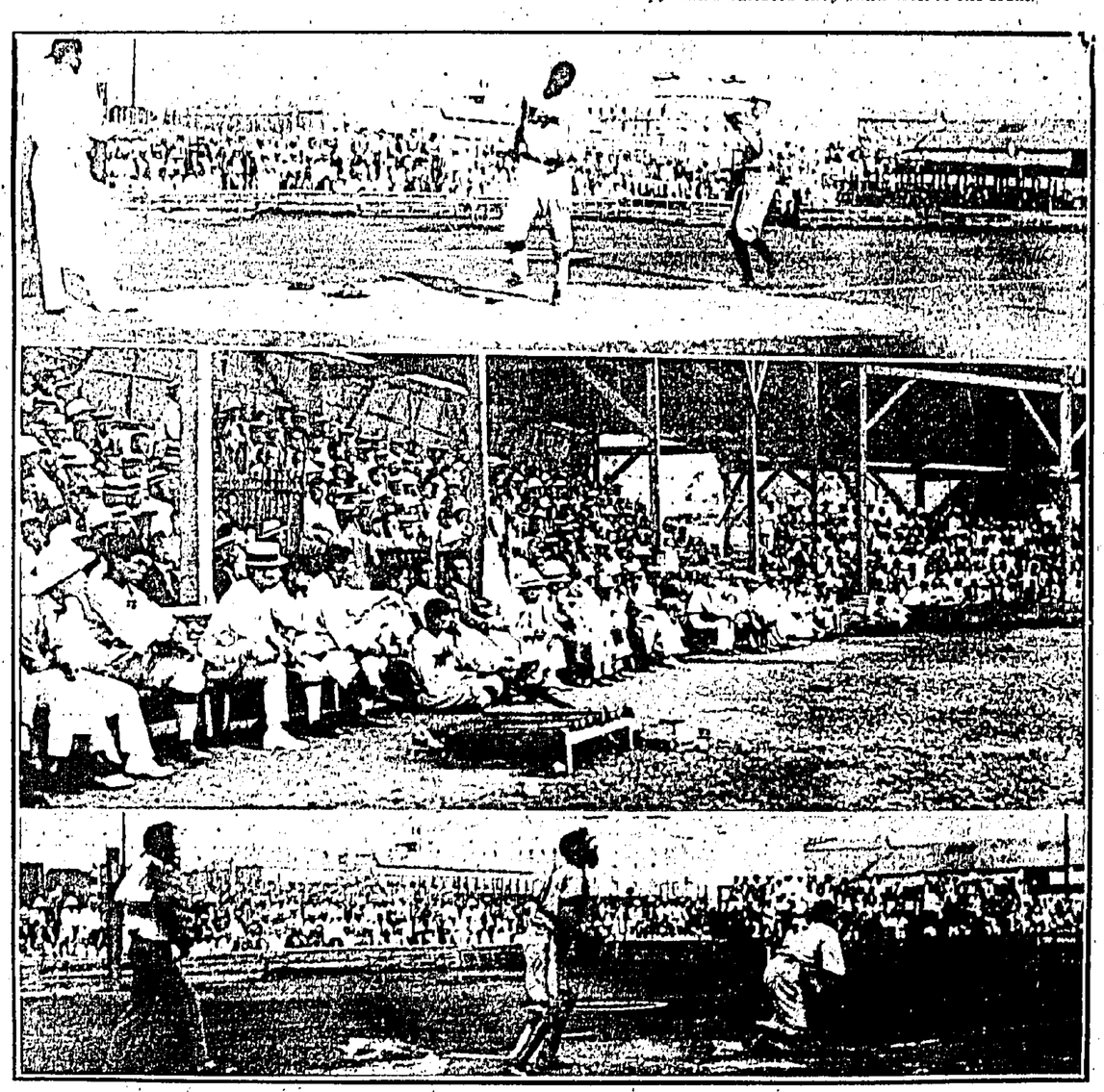
President Hoover is shown standing between Congressman Allen T. Treadway of Massachusetts and Drum Major Dorothy Johnson of the Drury high school band.



Thousands of interested spectators filled the Soochow University campus on the occasion of the Second Annual Gymastic Exhibition, when "fair co-eds" showed that as pyramid builders they rank well to the front.

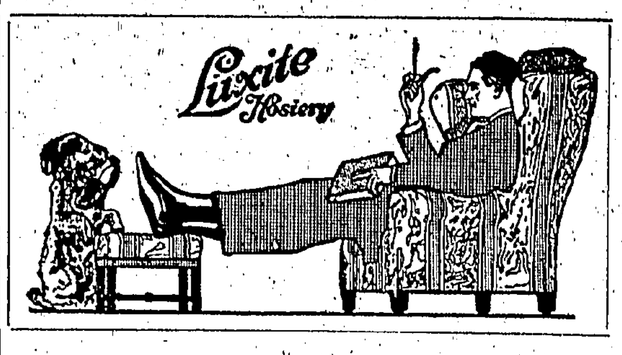
Top, Bandmaster R. F. Howard; and (bottom) Regt. Sergt. Major Gamble of the Norfolk Regiment in Shanghai.

It's hard for this pair to keep step on a Scout march. Philip Needham, '17, and Gilbert James are both Boy Scouts but Philip is six feet seven inches tall, while Gilbert is only four feet three inches short.



Three photographs taken at the recent game between the visiting Meiji University nine and the Shanghai Amateurs, which the former won by five runs to nil. Top—Washio scoring the first run in the first inning. Centre—some of the spectators who witnessed the game. Bottom—Masu crashing out a triple in the eighth frame.

Members of the Recreation Club and the Shanghai Lawn Bowls Club (right) met at Hongkew Park recently in a match for the "Mercury" Cup. The encounter ended in a victory for the S. L. B. C. The score was 84 to 76.



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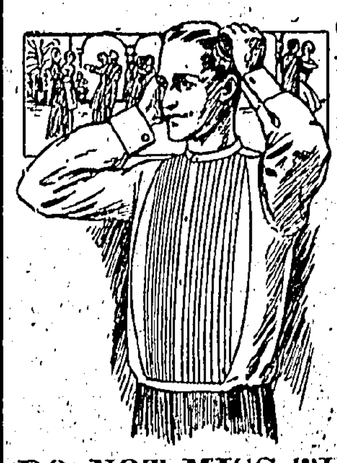

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LOT NO.	NAME OF STORER	CARGO	DATE STORED.
D34878	Kitting & Co.	4 Cases Machinery	26/10/18
D34953	"	4 " Machine &c.	3/12/18
D35511	"	4 " Coffee Mills, &c.	17/8/19
E42573	J. T. Lloyd & Co.	1 Case India Rubber Goods	11/10/24

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Water will not be turned on to houses where pipes and fittings are found to be defective.

The principal mains will be closed nightly from 7 p.m. 6 a.m.

HAROLD T. CREASY,
Water Authority.

Public Works Department,
Hongkong, 6th August, 1929.

HONGKONG TRAMWAYS LTD.

An INTERIM DIVIDEND of Fifty cents per share has been declared payable on TUESDAY, 27th August next, on and after which date Dividend Warrants may be obtained upon application at the Registered Office of the Company, Canal Road East, Bowrington, Hongkong.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the REGISTER OF MEMBERS of the Company will be closed from TUESDAY, 13th August to MONDAY, 26th August, 1929, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,

W. F. SIMMONS,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 6th August, 1929.

SILENT FILMS REVIVAL.

"REACTION SET IN" SAYS U.S. EXPERT.

"Many theatres equipped for talking pictures are doing less business than they previously did with silent films."

Mr. S. Eckman, jun., managing director of Jury-Metro-Goldwyn, the American combine, made this statement at the summer conference of the Cinematograph Exhibitors' Association, at Great Yarmouth, last month.

"A reaction has definitely set in," added Mr. Eckman.

"Silent pictures were shelved and paid for and sound pictures, good, bad and indifferent—mostly indifferent—were booked on all sides. The sound picture is in its infancy, and its relative merit does not begin to compare with the heights that the silent picture has attained.

"A certain number of equipped theatres, the smaller ones, it is true, are going back to the silent picture.

The Public's Verdict.

"The public are not interested in whether the screen talks or not, providing that it gives them their money's worth. If it does not entertain, then the mere fact that it is audible rather than silent is inconsequential. The public are the final judges."

Mr. Eckman quoted numerous cases where silent pictures had beaten the box office records of talking films, and continued that he did not want to be misunderstood.

"I am not prophesying the death-knell of sound pictures," he said. "The cinema industry is progressing every day. The day may come when every subject is a "talkie," but that day has not yet arrived.

"The average 'talkie' to-day possesses far less merit and entertainment value than the average silent picture, and I ask exhibitors not to limit themselves to dialogue subjects only. The public will not accept one type of entertainment only for very long."

Tele-phone-vision.

Mr. S. Rowson, a member of the Board of Trade (Film Act) Advisory Committee, said:—

"We are on the eve of many startling scientific readjustments. To-day it is the sound film. To-morrow it will be the natural colour film. The following day it may be the large gauge film for use on a greatly magnified screen—the so-called stereoscopic film.

"Very shortly afterwards we may see the advent, not merely of television, but of tele-phone-vision—that is the simultaneous transmission of the photograph of a speaking and moving figure."

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Banks.

Hongkong Bank, $1234 n.
Chartered Bank, £19½ b.
Mercantile A. & B., £33 n.
P. and O. £9½ n.
East Asia $90½ n.

Insurances.

Canton Ins., $630 n.
Union Ins., $326 b.
North China, Ins., Tls. 160 b.
Yangtsze Ins., $50 n.
China Underwriters, $2.20 s.
China Fires, $305 b.
H.K. Fire Ins., $770 n.

Shipping.

Douglases, $27½ n.
H.K. Steamboats, $24½ s.
H.K. Tugs, $2. s.
Indo-Chinas, (Def.) $70 n.
Union Waterboats, $22 n.

Mining.

Benguets, $3.10 b.
Kailans, 63/6 n.
Langkats, Tls. 15 n.
S'hai Explorations, Tls. 2.75 s.
Raubs, $8½ b.
Tronohs, 21/- n.

Docks, etc.

Kowloon Wharves, $127½ n.
Whampoa Docks, $32½ b.
China Providents $4.35 s.
Hongkews, Tls 175 n.
New Engineerings, Tls. 6½ b.
Shanghai Docks, Tls. 133½ b.

Cottons.

Ewo Cottons, Tls. 15.35 b.
Orientals, Tls. 2.30 b.
S'hai Cottons, Tls. 77½ (old) n.

Lands, Hotels, etc.

H. and S. Hotels, $8.35 b.
H. K. Lands, $60 s.
S'hai Lands Tls. 147 b.
Humphreys, $13.50 b.
Realties, $8 b.

Public Utilities.

Tramways, $18.75 s.
Peak Trams, (old) $11.80 n.
Star Ferries, $64 n.
China Lights, (Old) $13.25 b.
H. K. Electrics, $56 sa.
Macao Electrics, $26½ n.
Telephones $7. b.
China Buses, Tls 14½. b.
Singapore Tractions, 11/- s.

Industrials.

China Sugars, '95 n.
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Canton Ices, $2. b.
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Ropes (Old) $7. s.
United Asbestos $5 b.

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Mackintosh, $18 b.
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Amusements, $26 b.
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A THRILLING STORY OF JAVA.

The story of "Wild Orchids," which will be shown at the Queen's Theatre from Thursday to Saturday, although built up about "the eternal triangle" is fresh and interesting. Lillie Sterling (Miss Garbo), the wife of an American business man, engrossed in his own affairs, leaves with him for Java, where he plans to buy coffee plantations. On shipboard, Lillie meets Prince de Gace (Nils Asther), a Javenese, who determines to win her love. Lillie is repelled by the savage characteristics which the prince displays at times, and yet fascinated by his suave good looks, and his ardent love making. Her husband, played by Lewis Stone, is unaware of what is going on, and eagerly accepts an invitation to the Prince's palace in Java. Here, through a series of slight accidents which he manages to create, De Gace forces his love upon Lillie. Sterling discovers Lillie's unfaithfulness, and at a tiger hunt secretly empties the catridges from De Gace's gun, leaving the Prince defenseless before the onrush of the tiger. At the last moment, Lillie intercedes for the Prince, and Sterling fires a shot which stops the tiger before he can kill De Gace. In the encounter, De Gace has been badly mauled, and it is necessary to take him back to his palace. There, Sterling decides to leave Lillie with the Prince, and secure a divorce. She convinces him, however, that, despite her momentary unfaithfulness she still loves him and cares nothing for the Prince.

The background of exotic life in Java has been faultlessly brought to the screen, but yet has not been allowed to intrude upon the story itself.

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In view of the uncertainty of the situation in Manchuria no mails are being forwarded via Siberia until further notice.

From the 2nd August until further notice the afternoon mail for Macao will be closed at 1.15 p.m. as usual.

INWARD MAILS.

From	Per	Due
Japan	Himalaya Maru	August 6.
Europe via Negapatam, (Letters only, London 11th July.)	Dalgoma	August 8.
Japan	Bingo Maru	August 8.
U.S.A., (San Francisco 12th July), Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai	President Wilson	August 10.
Europe via Negapatan, (papers only London 11th July)	Pinve	August 10.
U.S.A. (San Francisco 19th July), Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai	President Cleveland	August 12.
Canada (Victoria B. C. 25th July), U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai	Emps. of Russia	August 12.
Australia and Manila	Changte	August 13.

OUTWARD MAILS.

Registered and Parcel Mails are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m. registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day.

For	Per	Date and Time.
Sam Shui and Wuchow	Kochow	Tues., Aug. 6, 4.30 p.m.
Haiphong	Song Bo	Tues., Aug. 6, 5 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius East and South Africa, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Patroclus	Tues., Aug. 6. K.P.O. Registration 4.30 p.m. Letters 4.30 p.m. G.P.O. Registration 5 p.m. Letters 6 p.m. (Due Marseilles 4th September.)
Swatow	Hangsang	Wed., Aug. 7, 10.30 a.m.
Java via Batavia	Tjibodak	Wed., Aug. 7, 10.30 a.m.
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Brisbane	Himalaya Maru	Wed., Aug. 7, Registration 11.45 a.m. Letters 12.30 p.m. (Due Brisbane 24th August).
Haihow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Menado Maru	Thurs., Aug. 8, 8.30 a.m.
Swatow	Hydrangea	Thurs., Aug. 8, 2.30 p.m.
*Straits, Mombasa, L. Marques and South Africa	Ringo Maru	Fri., Aug. 9, 1.30 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Hai Ning	Fri., Aug. 9, 2 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Fushimi Maru	Sat., Aug. 10, K. P. O. Registration Aug. 9, 4.30 p.m. Letters Aug. 10, 9 a.m. G. P. O. Registration Aug. 10, 3.45 a.m. Letters Aug. 10, 9.30 a.m. (Due Marseilles 9th September).
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Hozan Maru	Mon Aug. 11, 9 a.m.
Straits and Calcutta	Namsang	Sun., Aug. 11. Parcels noon Letters 1 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haiyang	Tues., Aug. 13, 1 p.m.
Saigon, *Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. and S. Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Chenonceaux	Tues., Aug. 13. K.P.O. Registration 1 p.m. Letters 1 p.m. G.P.O. Registration 1.45 p.m. Letters 2.30 p.m. (Due Marseilles 14th September).
Manila	Emps. of Russia	Tues., Aug. 13, 3.30 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Malwa	Sat., Aug. 17. K.P.O. Parcels Aug. 16, 4.30 p.m. Registration Aug. 17, 9 a.m. Letters 10 a.m. G.P.O. Parcels Aug. 16, 5 p.m. Registration Aug. 17, 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m. (Due Marseilles 13th Sept.)
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America and *Europe via Vancouver B.C.	Empress of Russia	Wed., Aug. 21, Parcels Aug. 20, 5 p.m. Registration Aug. 21, 9.15 a.m. Letters Aug. 21, 10 a.m. (Due Vancouver B.C. 7th September).

*Superscribed Correspondence only.

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MISS ANGELA BADDELEY ENGAGED.

Miss Angela Baddeley, the actress, and Mr. Glen Byam Shaw, the film actor, have given notice at Kensington Register Office of their forthcoming marriage.

"We are keeping the date a strict secret," said Miss Baddeley to a reporter "but it will probably be this month."

Although only 24, Miss Baddeley has had 15 years' experience of the stage, for at the age of nine she played child parts in Shakespearean productions at the "Old Vic." She is now playing the principal part in "Mary Rose" at the Haymarket.

Mr. Shaw, who is a son of Mr. Byam Shaw, the artist, found fame suddenly as Betty Balfour's leading man in the film, "The Vagabond Queen," after a search for the right man had been going on for weeks. He and Miss Baddeley have been close friends for five years.

Miss Baddley's elder sister, Hermione, recently married the Hon. David Tennant.

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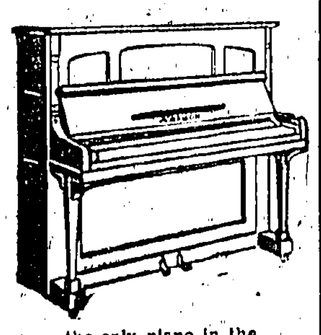

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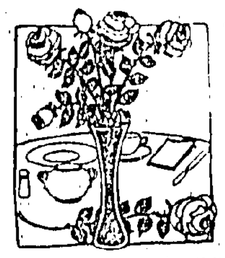

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FRENCH CRUISER.

FLAGSHIP OF FLEET TO VISIT HONGKONG.

The French cruiser Waldeck Rousseau, flying the flag of Rear-Admiral Mouget, is due to arrive in Hongkong on August 13 and will remain here for a week.

The Waldeck Rousseau is a new arrival in the Far East. She is the new flagship of the French Fleet in Far Eastern Waters, replacing the Jules Michelet, a familiar man-of-war to this port, which has returned to France upon being relegated to the obsolete list for breaking up.

The new flagship belongs to a class of armoured cruisers built as far back as 1908, but is powerfully equipped, possessing no less than 14 7.6-inch guns, which makes her one of the most powerful vessels in these waters. She displaces 14,100 tons, or 4,100 tons more than the British County class cruisers.

Of secondary armament there is none, except 5 torpedo tubes. The indicated horse power is 40,000 tons, giving a maximum speed of 21 knots.

According to an *Indo-pacifi* message, the Waldeck Rousseau is at present in Saigon, where her Commander, officers and crew are being feted by the town. A grand ball was given by Rear-Admiral Mouget on July 25, at which Governor-General Pasquier and other high officials were present.

There is still a chance for every man with the girl who wouldn't marry the best man on earth.

WOMAN'S WORLD

FOR OUR LADY READERS.

Your Children.

[By Olive Roberts Barton.]

A certain little girl three years old suddenly began to stammer. No one in the family knew what caused it. It just developed in a few short weeks, before they realized what was happening.

Her mother tried various methods of curing her, one thing that I know she tried was to make her stop and think when she started to talk and then say each word very, very slowly. That worked fairly well when she was with the older people, but, of course most of the time she was playing with other children and then there was no one near to help her. So like a lot of sound theories, it failed when put into practice—because there couldn't be enough practice.

Finally they took her to a doctor, but to her parents' surprise and indignation the doctor refused to be very much upset over it.

He asked about her meals, and hours for sleep, and about her friends, and if she seemed happy, and if she had a fair amount of out-door play, and all that. But he didn't suggest any sort of lingual gymnastics or standing on toes or anything like that.

Incident Recalled.

All this happened about five years ago, so long that I had almost forgotten the circumstance as the little girl now hasn't the least hint of an impediment in her speech; but it came to my mind when another worried mother recently asked me about her child of the same age.

"If she develops into a real stammerer," said the doctor, "then I should advise you to take advantage of a good school where scientific methods are assuredly of great benefit in such cases.

"But she's only three, and you know she can speak without difficulty because she has always done so. So I think if you help Nature a little she will cure herself.

"Increase her sleeping and resting hours, and don't allow her to get excited. Let her have some time alone each day. Make her as happy as you can—don't allow other children to quarrel with her and don't scold her. It may be a nervous affection.

"After the third birthday so many natural impulses start to develop in the child's mind, so much seems to happen all at once as the wonders of the world unfold, it is likely to cause a sort of suppressed nervous excitement that runs away with voluntary functional control such as the nerves that govern the speech muscles. The child becomes self conscious, too. A decided psychological readjustment takes place at this time.

"I think if you watch her physical health, her food, and hours of rest, she will outgrow it in a year or two."

And she did.

A Dainty Hat.

The vogue for triple tiered skirts has its counterpart in a little chapeau, with three scalloped lace straw brims.

When Baby Sleeps.

(By A Mother.)

Don't let him breathe through his mouth. If he hasn't learnt to sleep with his mouth shut by the time he is six weeks old, consult a doctor.

Don't have his bed in the living room in the day-time; he sleeps best alone.

Don't let him sleep in a stuffy bedroom near other sleepers. If he can't be by himself, let him have a different side of the room.

Don't be afraid of cool air, so long as he is tucked up warmly and not in a draught.

Don't let him kick all the clothes off and sleep uncovered. If necessary, sew tapes on the blankets and tie him down!

Don't let the sun shine directly on him. Baby's skin is very sensitive and easily burnt.

Don't nurse or rock him till he falls asleep. From the beginning let him form the habit of lying down awake. And

Do make sure he gets long periods of undisturbed rest. For the first six months aim at 16 to 18 hours daily.

For the Beach.

Flame coloured stockinette trimmed with flame and black and white stripes. The outfit includes a bathing suit, skirt knickers and long coat. The skirt knicker is worn after the swim and looks like a skirt.

Who Was Chiron?

Chiron was a centaur—that is to say, half man and half horse, and he had his being in the legends of old Greece.

For all the brutish part of him Chiron was a truly noble creature, for it was he who trained and fostered the prowess of nearly all the old Greek heroes. He was skilled alike in the arts of war and peace, being the instructor of mighty youths like Jason and Hercules and the other valiant fellows who sailed in quest of the Golden Fleece, besides teaching medicine to Æsculapius and the enchanting art of the lyre to Orpheus.

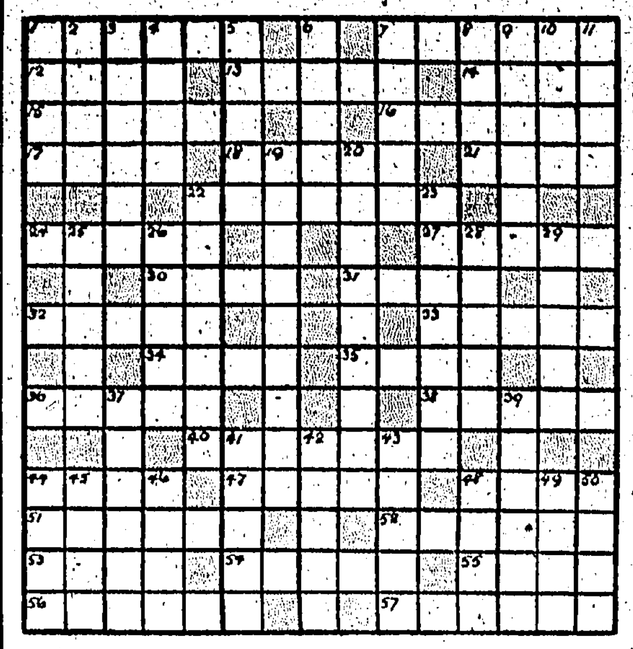
Never before or since has there been a professor so widely versed in all the arts and sciences as Chiron, whose name to-day is often used to denote universal knowledge and instruction.

Chiron was wounded by Hercules in the Battle of the Centaurs, and, praying Jupiter to be deprived of his immortality, his plea was granted, and he was placed among the constellations under the name of Sagittarius.

Seen at Ascot.

Despite the fact that this year's Ascot was shorn of the stately pageantry of the Royal Procession because of the *King's illness*, the race meeting still remained supreme as the event at which the new styles were introduced. The photograph shows Miss Lorna Magor in a striking outfit.

OUR NEW BRITISH CROSSWORDS.



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1 Sudden assaults.
7 Evening hymn.
12 Old.
18 Accustom.
14 Slope (Mining).
15 Coniferous evergreen trees.
16 Urge again.
17 Brood.
18 Bitter.
21 Christmas.
22 Nearest.
24 Performer.
27 Pastoral pipes.
30 Bereft.
31 Kind of leather.
32 Vapour.
33 God of love.
34 Mountain lake.
35 Coconnut fibre yarn.
36 Rain mingled with snow
38 Black man.
40 In a short while.
44 Harpoon.
47 Love ardently.
48 Sully.
51 Warnings.
52 Deceive.
53 Magistrate's staff.
54 Sharp pointed instrument.
55 Employs.
56 Cleans and dresses.
57 By reason of this.

Down

1 Reality.
2 Kind of moulding.
3 Act as editor of.
4 First man.
5 Prepared hemp.
6 Schemes.
7 Parts of speech.
8 Avoid.
9 Word of honour.
10 Margin.
11 Lively dance.
19 Endured.
20 Refrecting telescope.
22 Burn.
23 Outlining.
25 Summons.
26 Deliver a speech.
28 Have effect.
29 More arid.
37 Blot out.
39 Well-known moor-fowl.
41 Grates.
42 The Word.
43 Horse's cry.
44 Umbrella.
45 Pertaining to wings.
46 Liberate.
48 Traduce.
49 Notion.
50 Unless.

Yesterday's Solution.

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A VILLAGE WAR.

OBJECTION TO SEMI-NUDE DIVERS.

A serious clan fight occurred on Saturday afternoon in Pingshan, New Territories, when villagers who were members of two of the biggest clans living at Pingshan participated in a free fight, resulting in one of the participants being shot in the leg, this necessitating his admittance to the Kowloon Hospital.

A number of the contestants suffered injury, and but for the timely arrival of Police from the Pingshan Station, the consequences of the clash would have been more serious.

According to information gathered, there reside in the Kong Chan district, Pingshan, three big Chinese families with the surnames of Tang, Cheung and Lee respectively. On Friday afternoon a number of villagers from Hua village, nearby, came over to the shore at Kong Chan village, to dive for shell fish and lobsters. While the visitors were thus diving, wearing scanty clothing, a few members of the Tang family happened to pass, with a few young ladies, and the sight of the divers caused resentment. A warning was given to the men that if they must come to dive there they should wear more respectable costumes, and hot words were exchanged. The Tang people left the scene threatening to come back the following day to drive the visitors away.

A fracas occurred on Saturday afternoon, about four o'clock, when the Tang family arrived with over 100 men armed with rifles and big stones, to clear the shore of undesirables. The new visitors from the nearby village were outnumbered, and a man called Chan Woon was shot in the leg. Police officers from the Pingshan Station arrived, and took the wounded man to the Kowloon Hospital, while the ringleaders of both parties were warned not to indulge in this sort of thing again.

DOLLAR STEAMSHIP LINE.

HOLDING COMPANY TO BE FORMED.

San Francisco, Aug. 1.

Stockholders of the Dollar Steamship Line voted to-day to incorporate a $100,000,000 holding company to be known as the Dollar Steamship Lines Limited, Incorporated. The company will be controlled by the Dollar Line of California.

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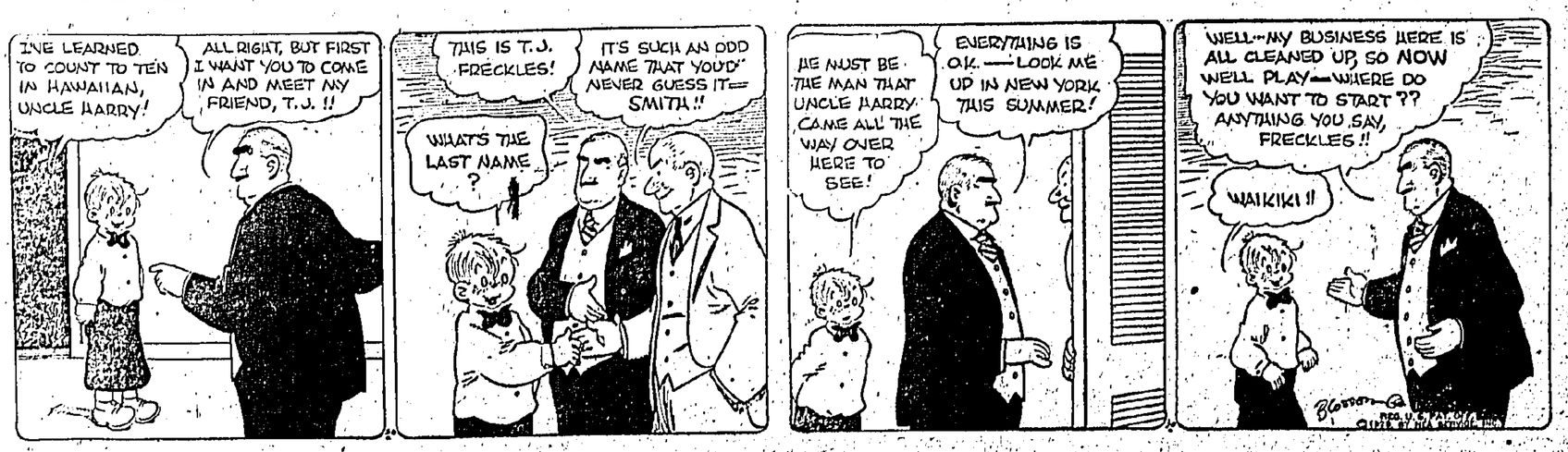

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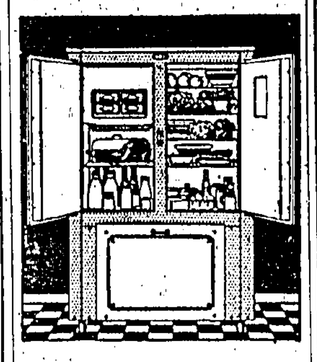

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AUSTRALIA'S TARIFF PROBLEM.

In Australia, as elsewhere, the tariff question is at the moment commanding a good deal of attention. It would appear that the attitude of the Prime Minister on the subject is coming in for a deal of criticism. Some little time ago, Mr. Bruce enunciated the policy that the tariff must not be regarded as a shelter for obsolete methods and uneconomical production. No-one could complain at that dictum, for it has to be always kept in mind that a tariff imposes obligations on the industries which it protects. To protect efficient production at home against competition from abroad is the basis of all protective tariffs, but, as one of the Sydney papers has remarked, it is obviously unfair to the consumer that inefficient production at home should be protected from efficient protection abroad. Mr. Bruce, however, appears to have modified his attitude lately, for he has intimated that the tariff must be raised to point where it becomes practically prohibitive. He appears to have become converted to a high tariff as a principle, rather than as an expedient. Hence the criticism.

There are many factors to the tariff problem, one of which is that adequate protection cannot be guaranteed if at the same time the tariff is regarded as a means of raising revenue. In the case of Australia, it is admitted by her own economists that there is too much importation of foreign goods. The country's yearly trade balances are usually adverse, which is not a healthy sign. Compared with Canada, which shows annually a considerable excess of exports over imports, Australia is in a poor position. But the trouble is that if imports are reduced, the main source of revenue for the Federal Government also shrinks. Indeed, it was because imports were reduced beyond expectation that the Federal Treasurer reported a deficit of two and a half millions sterling in his last account. It seems logical to expect, therefore, that if, by an increased tariff, the Customs revenue is reduced still further, an even bigger deficit will be witnessed next year. This, in turn, will involve retrenchment in services, some of which are of vital importance to the Commonwealth. The trouble with Australia apparently is that the tariff has usually been shaped by expediency, and worked upon with the knowledge that it is really a revenue tariff, as well as a protective one. There appears, however, to be fairly general agreement that if Mr. Bruce's plan is designed specifically against the United States, as a retaliatory measure, then there is something to be said for it. To quote a Sydney paper, "we owe the United States no consideration in trade arrangements; the imports from that country vastly outvalue the exports which we send there, and if further Customs duties against us are to reduce our small exports, then we have little inducement to trade with the United States at all."

Whilst the idea of a permanent high tariff, fairly general in its application, is seemingly opposed to popular wishes, there can be no denying the point that the majority of the people think a protective tariff is necessary for the development of the country. There are, however, many low-tariff members on both sides in Parliament, and these are determined to make their views felt. They want protection for the home producer, but not protection which will exploit the consumer for the sake of inefficiency, with manufacturers using the tariff as a shelter and continually seeking more protection. It is, however, not an easy matter to draw the line; neither can considerations of revenue be overlooked. But these are issues always to be encountered in countries where protection is the fiscal policy, and the adjustment of the conflicting aspects of the problem is not an easy one.

Law Observance.

Hongkong is not the only place in the world where gambling, whilst illegal, is tolerated in some forms. Law observance, indeed, seems to be one of those things that nearly everyone is glad to endorse but that few are willing to observe with absolute rigidity. An American writer says there is more loose thinking and self-deception on this matter than on any other phase of his country's national life. He takes the State of Ohio as an example, and is at pains to point that Ohio is generally regarded as "a law-and-order State." But in Ohio there are numbers of race tracks, as well as strict laws against gambling. The State laws permit horse racing, just as they permit baseball and golf; but they very plainly forbid any betting on them. Everybody who knows anything about horse racing knows that no track can operate for a week without betting. The "percentage" from the betting machines is what gives the track its profit. If there is no betting, there is no racing. Yet, despite Ohio's strict laws against betting, Ohio has plenty of horse racing. Here's the way it usually works, says our American friend:—The tracks are located in small suburban towns near the big cities. One of them announces a three-weeks meeting. The Mayor of the village remarks that it isn't his job to stop racing; that's up to the Sheriff. The Sheriff says that he doesn't know anything about it, that he has received no complaints, and that he can't enter the village to make arrests unless the Mayor calls on him for help. State officials say that the whole matter is up to the local authorities. So, with everybody "passing the buck," the race meeting is held, a lot of money is bet quite openly, and everybody is happy—except, maybe, the families of the luckless wage-earners who have lost more money than they could afford. To be sure, the tracks don't have everything their own way. If there are too many meetings in one place, business suffers—and the business men speak to the Sheriff, and the law gets enforced beautifully. But where the track owners are "reasonable", they are not interfered with. Here is what this American writer says in concluding:—"It's pretty nearly time we stopped kidding ourselves about law enforcement and modified some of those other laws that we don't really intend to enforce."

DAY BY DAY.

MEN WITH GREY EYES ARE GENERALLY KEEN, ENERGETIC, AND AT FIRST COLD, BUT YOU MAY DEPEND UPON THEIR SYMPATHY WITH REAL SORROW. SEARCH THE RANKS OF OUR BENEVOLENT MEN AND YOU WILL AGREE WITH ME.—*Dr. Leask.*

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Tickets sold for the Kowloon Football Club's concert on Saturday night totalled 661.

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The P. and O. s.s. Kashgar, from Hongkong, arrived at Marseilles on 3rd August at 10 a.m.

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The Hongkong Tramways, Ltd., has declared an interim dividend of 50 cents per share, payable on the 27th instant.

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The only case of notifiable disease reported during the past three days has been one of diphtheria, the sufferer being a Chinese.

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The Hongkong Football Association is giving a farewell dinner to Mr. F. W. Black at Lane, Crawford's Restaurant on Saturday night.

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Among the passengers arriving from Manila on the President Grant were Mr. J. K. Bousfield, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Dragon and Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Sampson.

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A naval wireless message states that Capt. A.N. Dowding, R.N., assumed command of H.M.S. Cornwall yesterday afternoon in place of Captain the Hon. W. S. Leveson Gower, D.S.O., R.N., who will be leaving for England in the near future.

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Two cyclists who appeared before Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning on charges of riding on the wrong side of the road were stated to have been describing circles on the roadway. Each defendant was fined $3.

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Mr. N. Jeramdas, of Messrs. Thakurdas Jeramdas & Co., the Hon. Secretary of Sind Hindoo Merchants Club, was the guest of honour at the tea given to him by the Club on the eve of his departure for home on holiday last Saturday, when Mr. G. P. Daswani, the President, spoke a few words appreciating Mr. Jeramdas' duties to the Club. A silver cigarette case was presented to the guest as a souvenir.

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A free licence, the fee for which is to be paid out of the Poor Box, was recommended by Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning when a middle-aged married woman was charged with hawking without a licence. It was stated that the defendant was the mother of four children, all of whom had to spend the night at the Police Station as a result of her arrest. In cautioning the defendant, his Worship ordered that she be granted $4 from the Poor Box for a licence.

BRIDGE MADE EASY by W. W. Wentworth

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As the bidding ends and the contract is declared, the first question which you naturally ask of yourself is, "How can my partner and I win the greatest possible number of tricks with the cards we hold?"

There is nothing mysterious *about the playing of your hand.* Neither genius nor a magician's skill is required. What you must know is how to manipulate your cards to your best advantage—you must understand the mechanics of the game. This knowledge can be gained by any person who devotes a little time to the study of bridge methods and watches others play.

As in bidding there are certain fundamental principles governing the playing of the cards. These principles you must master if you want to be an average winner. You must know what card to lead and what card to play after your opponent leads; you must know when to take a trick and when to sacrifice one so that you may capture more tricks later.

Many conventions, rules, tables and suggested plays are included in this series. To teach them all by rote is not the function of the following chapters. The author's aim is rather to develop a rational understanding of the "working tools" of the game. In bridge it is not sufficient to know merely how to accomplish a result. If you are to derive the maximum pleasure out of playing, demand the reason for every suggested play. The greater your desire to know the logic of the manoeuvre, the keener will be your interest in improving your game and playing better bridge.

SAIGON RICE MILL FAILURE.

LIABILITIES SAID TO BE $1,500,000.

HONGKONG AFFECTED.

A sensation has been caused amongst rice merchants of the Colony by the failure of one of the biggest rice mills at Saigon, with liabilities stated to amount to a million and a half dollars.

The rice mill was until recently operated by the Tu Phong firm, under the management of a Chinese who is well-known to the business community of the French city by reason of his large business and personal connexions. With a capacity of 60 tons of rice a day, the firm was an old-established one, being closely associated with the rapid development of the rice industry in Indo-China within the last decade.

Last Wednesday the rumour got abroad that the firm had failed, and this, unfortunately, was confirmed upon investigations by concerns which had business dealings with it.

The Creditors.

It was found that the Tu Phong firm had incurred liabilities to the extent of between 1,100,000 and 1,400,000 piastres, which it is said to be unable to meet. Amongst the creditors affected is a foreign shipping and exportation firm, which is said to be involved to the extent of P400,000, two banks to the extent of P70,000, a French firm to the extent of P40,000, and a Cingalese banker to the extent of several thousand dollars. The balance is distributed amongst a number of smaller concerns.

Hongkong is closely bound up with Saigon in the rice trade, and as to the effect which this failure may have on the local market, a Chinese banker, manager of a well-known bank in Hongkong which finances rice shipments from Saigon, when interviewed by a *Telegraph* representative, this morning, said that the local repercussions are negligible. He said that not more than $15,000 is assessed as the loss that may have to be borne by local merchants as a result of the failure of the Saigon firm.

Exchange Effects.

He was of the opinion that the failure was due to big commitments contracted by the Tu Phong under the heading of contracts for delivery. The heavy Hongkong discount on the Indo-Chinese piastre which normally was at par with the Hongkong dollar, had intervened as an adverse factor against these contracts, and precipitated the failure. He believed the extent of the Tu Phong's liabilities to be as much as a million and a half dollars.

The interesting information was also imparted by our informand that within the last two weeks there had also been a number of other business failures at Saigon, owing to the adverse exchange.

The piastre has been quoted at as much as 10 per cent. discount in exchange for local currency.

Lam Thi, the manager of the Tu Phong firm, is reported to be missing. In his absence, the business of liquidation has been placed in the hands of a Court official, who is to subject the accounts to a close investigation.

SINCERY COMPANY ROBBERY.

ACCUSED MAN'S PLEA FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE.

An unusual incident marked the reappearance before Mr. E. W. Hamilton this morning, for another formal remand, of the four accused in the Sincere Company jewellery robbery.

One of the accused, charged with the major offence of carrying out the actual burglary, was seemingly in great distress as, through a Kwangsi interpreter, he asked for his immediate release.

He explained that he had a 70-year-old mother up at Wuchow, whom he was anxious to rejoin. She would be heart-broken if she were informed of his present position.

No comment was made by the Magistrate on this request.

The hearing of the case was fixed for Tuesday next, at 2.15 p.m.

Another week's formal remand was given by Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday in the case in which a Chinese is charged with murdering an Indian constable near the Kun Chung Market, Yaumati. His Worship reserved the afternoons of the 21st., 22nd., 23rd. and 27th for the hearing of the case.

The Very Idea!

A new lighting device which is operated by the rise and fall of daylight is to be used on the Grosvenor Canal, which was reopened with a civic ceremony recently.

The Westminster City Council has adopted a recommendation to instal flood lighting and to apply to the electric lamps, as an experiment, a selenium cell device.

The city engineer reported that this device was actuated by the intensity of natural light, lighting the lamps when daylight fell below a certain degree of intensity and extinguishing them when it rose to that point.

It was a favourable opportunity to test the invention, which might prove to great advantage when foggy weather occurred suddenly.

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After eight years' absence the young man alighted at the station, and, despite his expectations, there was no one there to meet him, no one! He caught sight of the stationmaster, a friend since boyhood. To him at least he would be welcome, and he was about to extend a hearty greeting, when the other spoke first.

"Hello, George!" he said, "goin' away?"

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Recently there were published particulars of the record of a family, of Bures, Suffolk, in which the ages of the father and mother and nine children total 674 years.

This record is disputed by a Devonshire family. Mr. William Blackmore—who was born in the village of Hemyock, near Exeter—and his 11 sons and daughters now living can boast of an aggregate age of 772 years.

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Tramp at Lambeth—I do not want to see a doctor. I would rather see a butcher.

Acton Magistrate—How long have you been married? Wife—Twenty years, and she has left me at last.

Young Husband at Willesden—I admit that I caught hold of my wife's arm, but that was because there was a poker in her hand.

Judge Cluer, at Shoreditch County Court—When motor cars first came in we used to have a man with a red flag to walk in front, and we should be much safer if we had one now.

Clerk at Tottenham—Your husband provides you with sufficient food and clothes, so how can you say he neglects you? Wife—I get no luxuries.

Wife at West Ham—For seven years my husband has gone to bed on a Thursday and stayed there until Monday, when he got up and signed on for the dole. I took his food up to him for the sake of peace.

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The following notice has during the last few weeks been posted up in a certain works:—

"In future anyone desiring to attend the funeral of a relative must give at least two days' notice before the match. By order."

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When two men were sentenced at Nottingham recently for income tax frauds it was stated that in 14 years the aggregate of income tax, super tax and excess profits duty evaded amounted to £14,166.

John Morris, 50, laundry proprietor, was sentenced to six months in the second division and fined £1,000, and William John West, 54, accountant, was sentenced to three months in the second division.

A redeeming feature was that the whole of the money had been paid by Morris with the exception of a small balance of £66.

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The girl who married an old man excused herself by remarking that if anyone offered you a cheque for £10,000 you would not stop to examine the date.

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A statement in a cable from Reuter's agency, New York, reporting the purchase by an American of Nelson's furniture on H.M.S. Victory is described by Mr L. M. Feuerheerd as "wholly inaccurate and misleading."

As sole owner of these historic mementoes, which are still in the fore cabin where he left them on loan last October, Mr. Feuerheerd writes that he has never relaxed his efforts to find a purchaser patriotic enough to keep "these national heirlooms on the old ship where they rightfully belong."

"They have been in my family for three generations," he adds, "and it is with deep regret that I find myself compelled to part with them."

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At the end of the eighth round the badly bruised boxer told his second that he could go on no longer. The second objected. "But," pleaded the boxer, "I can hardly see him."

"Never mind," said the second, "hit him from memory."

BANKING FAILURE.

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dollar. That is not failure, though it is a reverse.

You say you were never short of working capital?—I would not say that.

Was the company continually short of capital?—It was never short until June 1, 1928, when Mrs. Janse Chin's debt was not paid. We could always meet our obligations when they arose.

In answer to other questions, Mr. Brewer said he had refused working capital as he was satisfied by the way in which it was coming in.

The Official Receiver:—Why was it necessary at a directors' meeting on March 10, 1928, to pass a resolution saying that the directors must pay for their shares?—We were wanting to extend. The directors wanted to open two other branches.

A resolution also states that Mr. Chau Sing-chor be offered the position of general manager and be required to pay the balance of share money. Therefore he had not paid the balance?—He paid 35 per cent.

When applied to for the balance he refused?—Yes. It did not hurt us in any way. We were not wanting his money, but we did not want a general manager without standing in the company.

Balance Sheet.

On September 25, 1928, the question of going into voluntary liquidation was discussed?—Yes.

That was less than three months after the publication of the balance sheet?—Yes.

Voluntary liquidation was the most frequent topic of discussion from September, 1928, until May of this year.—Yes.

The first report and balance sheet covered a period up to April 30, 1928, and was presented for filing on July 9, 1928. Mr. Brewer said the document as printed was altered during his absence. He had approved the typewritten draft, and had filed the printed copy although alterations had been made.

The Chief Justice: Was it not a serious thing to sign a document you knew to be inaccurate and file it?—It would be serious if I knew it to be inaccurate in a commercial sense.

Witness "Impudent."

During answers to His Lordships questions, Mr. Brewer was reproved by the Chief Justice and told not to be impudent.

The Official Receiver: The only difference in the typewritten balance sheet which you say you approved, and the printed one which you say you disapproved, is the way in which the items give the company's capital?—Yes.

You were present at the meeting of directors which approved the typewritten one?—Yes, we all signed it.

In reply to further questions, Mr. Brewer said the first printed proof of the balance sheet was signed by the auditor alone. Mrs. Brewer made the auditor sign it. The balance sheet had been altered during his (Mr. Brewer's) absence.

The Official Receiver:—Why was the alteration made?—Because the auditor said that Chinese firms always set out their capital in that way.

Do you consider that a sufficient reason for altering the capital?—Learning of it after publication I saw no ground for recalling it.

New Form.

Did you raise any protest against this new form of balance sheet?—No. There was the signature of the auditor and of him alone on it.

Did you, before filing the balance sheet, draw the attention of the directors to the alteration?—Surely.

There is no record of that?—No. They were satisfied because they had not signed it.

Do you agree that the statement as to capital in the printed balance sheet is absolutely misleading and incorrect?—I do not agree. I am assured by the auditor that it is correct for a Chinese firm.

This was a British company under the Ordinance?—It is registered under the Ordinance.

The whole of the books were in English except those of the branches at Canton and Shekki?—Yes.

Further questioned regarding the balance sheet Mr. Brewer said the typewritten one was drawn up by the auditor and typed by Mrs. Brewer. The auditor's data consisted of the company's books and three balance sheets personally checked by Mr. Brewer and guaranteed by him. The balance sheets referred to the head office and the Shekki and Hongkong offices.

The Official Receiver: Does the balance sheet by the auditor represent an amalgamation of those three balance sheets?—I do not know.

In reply to further questions, Mr. Brewer said the amount of $2,613,260 shown in the balance sheet described the issued and subscribed capital jointly. He agreed that one portion of the capital was never allotted and that the company did not receive a cent of it.

The Official Reserver:—Applications for shares in respect of an amount for $1,133,000 were received in August 1927?—I accept your word.

Never Struck Him.

Do you observe that in almost every case the application forms have not been properly completed?—It never struck my notice.

In only one case is the percentage to be paid on allotment filled in?—It looks true, but I don't think you can build anything on that.

Mr. Brewer contended that although the percentage to be paid was left blank, the first sentence on the application form constituted an agreement to pay and the forms had been signed.

The Official Receiver:—In November, 1927, did you transfer $963,000 from issued capital to allotment suspense?—Yes.

Why was that done?—Because the applications were doubtful. Subsequently some became good.

One person had a thousand shares forfeited for non-payment. Do you consider that good?—I did not consider any of them good. That is why they were transferred.

Do you think they properly appeared in the balance sheet?—No, but I did not think there was a lie there.

Not Misleading.

Is it misleading?—No. The balance sheet was only circulated among Chinese, and I understood they set out their capital in that manner. It would have misled me.

Asked whether $204,800 of an item of $221,360 set out on the assets side as accounts receivable represented unpaid calls or calls for arrears, Mr. Brewer said he considered it was possible. He did not know whether $113,300 of the amount of $204,800 represented 10 per cent. on the shares not allotted.

Asked whether he considered it a proper entry to put on that side of the balance sheet, he said he objected to it on the ground that it was morally objectionable.

The Official Receiver:—Do you let your Chinese auditor do what he likes with the balance sheet?—No. I was away.

He agreed that an amount of $1,420,950 was given in the printed sheet under uncalled capital as a perfectly good asset. He believed that the item included 90 per cent. of the shares which had not been allotted.

Cash in Hand.

Mr. Agassiz went on to refer to an item of $164,082.89, described as cash in hand in branches and said there were other items which purported to show how that amount was made up.

Mr. Brewer agreed, but added, he had already said, that the document did not belong to the company. It was prepared by him, but not on behalf of the company. Accurately speaking, he continued, he would say he did not know how that amount was made up, but, generally speaking, he could say "yes," as he had a very general idea of the books.

Mr. Agassiz then referred to an item Treasury Fund, $24,000 odd. Mr. Brewer said the Treasury Fund was kept in the hands of the treasurer, Mrs. Brewer, usually at the Netherlands Bank.

Mr. Brewer further said he could not possibly say if that amount was included in the cash in hand at branches and he did not know if it was duplicated. He was not prepared to say it was not duplicated.

Mr. Brewer, in explaining an item $10,000 cash at Singapore, said Mr. Lim Joo-sin bought some shares, paid for them and the money was handed to Mr. Leung-Si-ki, the bank's agent at Singapore, who held them for expenses that would accrue in opening a Singapore branch. That man was, however, liable for that amount, and would have repaid the money as soon as the branch was opened.

Never Opened.

Mr. Brewer agreed that the branch was never opened because the Government would not grant a licence. Some money on preliminary expense had been incurred, but he did not believe it to be more than a few hundred dollars. He did not believe it was $4,000.

Mr. Agassiz suggested it was not a proper statement to make, as $10,000 cash in hand at branches which was supposed to be cash in the vaults to the bank.

Mr. Brewer replied it was cash in the proper dictionary and commercial sense and it could only have been classed as it had been classed.

He continued that he had not received a cent from Mr. Leung, but that was not his (Mr. Brewer's) fault. It was still in the hands of the company, because Mr. Leung was the agent.

In the course of questions concerning Shekki and Canton money, Mr. Brewer asked exactly what allegation Mr. Agassiz was making, whereupon the Chief Justice told Mr. Brewer to answer the questions.

Mr. Brewer Reproved.

Later, when dealing with promissory notes given to shareholders to the value of approximately $34,000, Mr. Agassiz asked if cash passed, and Mr. Brewer answered in the affirmative.

Mr. Brewer started to give an explanation as to the difference between cash and money, when his Lordship remarked they did not want a lecture.

Mr. Agassiz suggested that certain entries were cross-entries.

Mr. Brewer:—They are not. That is a lie.

His Lordship:—Don't use language of that kind here.

Mr. Brewer:—I withdraw the remark, my Lord.

The hearing is continuing.

WHOLESALE THEFT OF CLOTHES.

PROPERTY FOUND IN MANY PAWNSHOPS.

TWO CHINESE GUILTY.

Sixty-two articles of clothing, including 40 pieces of European wear, belonging to her husband, which were stated to have been stolen from the house of a Chinese lady residing in Prince Edward Road, were produced as exhibits before Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, when two youths were charged with larceny of the clothes and alternatively with receiving stolen property.

The first defendant admitted the first charge and said that the second defendant had nothing whatever to do with the theft.

The second defendant, however, admitted that he had received 13 articles of the clothing from the first defendant to pawn.

Inspector Phillips said the complainant was the tenant of a newly-erected house in Prince Edward Road and had recently sub-let the premises to a man from Canton. The two defendants appeared to be this man's fokis. The occupier of the house returned to Canton on July 31.

One of the conditions of the lease was that the complainant was to be allowed to keep a trunk containing clothes on the premises, in the cockloft. Sometime after the tenant's departure for Canton, the complainant visited the premises and on examining her trunk found the clothing was missing.

During the course of investigations, the second defendant, who was still on the premises, informed the police that the first defendant had gone to Canton. On his return, he was arrested, and, when questioned, admitted the theft. The property was recovered from 18 different pawnshops.

A number of pawn tickets were found in the second defendant's house.

It was stated that the clothing was valued at $182.

The first defendant was sentenced to six weeks' hard labour, while the second defendant was fined $25 or three weeks' imprisonment.

A DANGER TO THE PUBLIC.

16 TINS OF KEROSENE ON FISHING BOAT.

MARINE COURT.

Saying that he had to safeguard the public and that the defendant was not only endangering himself but others as well, the Hon. Commdr. G. F. Hole, R.N., at the Marine Court this morning, imposed a fine of $50, with the alternative of two months' hard labour, on the master of a fishing boat for mooring his craft in Shaukiwan Harbour with 16 tins of kerosene on board.

Pleading guilty, the defendant, giving his reason for not anchoring in the Dangerous Goods Anchorage, informed his Worship that the kerosene was intended for bright light fishing.

Sgt. Brown, who prosecuted, said the defendant's boat was one of many others lying about 50 yards from the Government Pier at Shaukiwan Harbour.

Two Charges.

Charged on two counts, (a) with making fast to the s.s. Menado Maru whilst that vessel was still under way and (b) with failing to stop when called upon to do so by a police officer, the mistress of a cargo boat admitted the first offence, but denied the other.

Giving evidence, Sgt. Elliot said that at about 8 p.m. on August, 5, he was on duty on No. 5 Police Launch. He saw the defendant's craft with several others lying alongside the s.s. Menado Maru. On his approach, she left the side of the steamer and although he ordered her to stop, she failed to do so. Later he found her near the Star Ferry Wharf on the Hongkong side.

Defendant denied that she ran away from Sgt. Elliot. She was aware, she said, that her sampan had no possible chance of evading a launch. The current was strong until she reached the Stary Ferry Wharf when she hooked on to the pier awaiting the arrival of the police launch.

"Do you expect me to believe that?" asked his Worship. "$10 or ten days on the first charge, and the same fine on the second. In the event of the defendant not paying the fines, the sentences are to run consecutively."

Other Cases.

Lai Mui, the mistress of a passenger boat, pleaded guilty when charged with committing a breach of her boat licence by carrying 30 rattan chairs. She was fined $5 or five days.

For boarding the s.s. Menado Maru without the permission of the master or the officer on duty, a Chinese, described as a pig dealer's foki, was ordered to pay $10 or go to prison for 10 days.

The Menado Maru figured in yet another case, this being in which four mistresses of cargo boats were charged with making fast to her whilst she was under way. All pleaded guilty and were each fined $10.

Both the coxswains of two launches who were charged with failing to observe the rule of the road, by keeping to the wrong side of the Fairway, had each a previous conviction for the same offence. One was fined $15 but the other, whose previous offence was committed as far back as 1915, was only fined $10, the reason being, his Worship said, that he could not take notice of any offence committed 14 years ago.

Hurry and get back; I don't want to be caught parkin' here."

THE SINO-RUSSIAN DISPUTE.

ATTEMPT TO RESTORE C.E.R. TRAFFIC.

DR. WANG'S ATTITUDE.

Shanghai, Aug. 5.

An endeavour by the Chinese authorities to restore traffic on the Chinese Eastern Railway is reported from Harbin. It is stated that the Mukden Government will borrow a number of coaches and locomotives from the Tientsin-Pukow Railway for the temporary use of the C.E.R. The attempt to restore traffic is said to be the result of a compromise reached between Mr. Tsai Yun-hsiang, and Mr. Melnivok.

The Nanking Foreign Minister, Dr. C. T. Wang received a cablegram yesterday morning from Mr. Tsai Yun-hsiang reporting the result of his two meetings with M. Melivok adding that a third conference with M. Melnivok will take place this evening.

Brighter Prospects.

Mr. Tsai said he thought that the possibilities of direct negotiations between China and Russia for the settlement of the Railway dispute were brighter.

Reporting on his conferences with M. Melnivok, Mr. Tsai said that Russia consented to restore traffic on the C.E.R. within one month meanwhile ceasing all form of military preparations.

The Nanking Foreign Office, commenting on the report of Mr. Tsai Yun-hsiang, stated that the Soviet terms were tantamount to partial compliance to the demands of the National Government laid down in the Chinese reply to the First Soviet Note at the beginning of the dispute.

After a brief conference with General Chang Hsueh-liang, head of the Manchurian Government, Mr. Chu Shao-yang, the Nanking special emissary, left Mukden yesterday afternoon at 3.30 for Harbin. At Mukden, Mr. Chu received an order from the Nanking Foreign Ministry instructing him to refuse the Russian demand for the immediate release of the detained Soviet officials of the C.E.R. concerning whom the National Government possess concrete proofs of being Communist propagandists.

Soviet Demand.

In an interview in Nanking, Dr. C. T. Wang said he had learned from official sources that the Soviet terms to be put to China will include a request for a mere change of Soviet officials and of the assistant manager and manager of the C.E.R. The National Government will not comply, at any cost.

Railway Incident.

According to a Harbin message, a group of Chinese outlaws on Saturday morning attempted to rob a train from Harbin to Changchun. The bandits met with a stubborn resistance, necessitating their giving up the attempt after killing a Chinese railwayman. A Soviet official of the railway, said to be a station master, was kidnapped by the bandits. In response to the alarm raised, Chinese troops took up hot pursuit of the bandits, who eventually abandoned the Russian, making good their escape. The Soviet official was rescued without injury, but two soldiers were shot and seriously wounded in the encounter.

Bad Treatment Alleged.

Shanghai, Aug. 6.

The latest report reaching Nanking from Marshal Chang Shueh-liang states that Chinese consular officers and residents who have been arrested by the Soviet are being badly treated.

Marshal Chang adds that all the property of the arrested Chinese in Soviet territory has been confiscated, and he urges the Central Government to take steps in the matter.

Marshal Chang has also reported to the Central Government the latest movements of the Soviet troops on the frontier.—*Nam Chung Po.*

STARTLING TOKYO STORY.

CHINESE PRINCE SHOT IN JAPAN.

Tokyo, Aug. 2.

Chang Chung-chang, former war lord of Shantung province, shot and seriously wounded Prince Hi Sen-kai, cousin of the former "Boy Emperor" of China here to-day.

The circumstances were mysterious. Chang, Chung-chang claimed that the shooting was accidental.

Chang has been in Japan since he was ordered out of China by the National Government following his stand against Chiang Kai-shek's armies in Shantung.—*Associated Press.*

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U.S. BASEBALL.

LEAGUE RESULTS AND STANDINGS.

Yesterday's baseball matches resulted as follows:

National League.

	R.	H.	E.
Brooklyn	2	11	0
St. Louis	5	9	0
Boston	0	5	1
Chicago	1	3	1
New York	6	9	1
Cincinnati	1	9	2
Philadelphia	1	6	1
Pittsburgh	3	6	0

American League.

	R.	H.	E.
Chicago	3	8	1
New York	2	6	0
Cleveland	10	12	1
Boston	2	9	0
Detroit	4	3	0
Philadelphia	7	12	1
St. Louis	9	10	1
Washington	13	13	3

The League standings are now as under:

National League.

	W.	L.	Pct.
Chicago	64	31	.673
Pittsburgh	59	36	.621
New York	56	44	.560
St. Louis	50	49	.505
Brooklyn	43	55	.438
Boston	42	59	.414
Cincinnati	39	59	.392
Philadelphia	38	59	.390

American League.

	W.	L.	Pct.
Philadelphia	73	26	.734
New York	60	34	.638
St. Louis	53	45	.531
Cleveland	52	47	.525
Detroit	47	51	.478
Washington	37	57	.393
Chicago	39	61	.390
Boston	29	69	.302

WATER POLO LEAGUE.

TWO PLAYERS ORDERED OUT OF THE BATH.

During the two matches in the Water Polo League at the Victoria Recreation Club last evening two players were ordered out of the bath for infringements of the rules. In the first game S. L. Chan of the Chinese "B" was the offender while W. C. Simpson of the Kowloon "A" was the second to have to leave the water.

The first match saw the Chinese "B" in opposition to the Somerset Light Infantry, the former winning fairly easily by four goals to one. The Chinese were the faster swimmers and combined better than their opponents. S. W. Leung opened the score early in the first half while K. C. Chen added a second before the interval.

On resuming, S. L. Chan was ordered out of the bath for punching the ball, but during his absence Leung Shiu-man scored for the Chinese team. Early replied for the military players from a corner, while G. A. Lai found the net for the Chinese before the final whistle went.

Kowloon "A" v K.O.S.B. "B."

The Kowloon "A" won by three goals to one against the K.O.S.B. "B" in a match that was characterised by some amount of fouling, the Peninsula team being the greater offenders. Within half a minute of the beginning, Simpson put the Kowloon players ahead and shortly afterwards added a second. The teams changed sides with the score standing at 2-0 in favour of the Kowloon representatives, who had most of the play.

In the second half the Kowloon players were penalised on several occasions for fouling, while Simpson was ordered to leave the water for wading within two yards of the opposing goal. With six men, the Kowloon team were always hard pressed and Cpl. Walker scored for the Borderers. On returning to the bath Simpson netted his third goal, the final whistle going with the Kowloon "A" winners by three goals to one.

League Tables.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	Goals for	Goals agst.	Pts.
Chinese "B"	2	2	–	–	6	1	4
Kowloon "A"	2	2	–	–	7	3	4
V.R.C. "B"	1	1	–	–	10	–	2
Navy	1	1	–	–	2	1	2
V.R.C. "A"	1	1	–	–	–	–	2
K.O.S.B. "A"	1	–	–	1	1	2	–
Chinese "A"	1	–	–	1	–	–	–
Kowloon "B"	1	–	–	1	–	10	–
Somerset	2	–	–	2	9	8	–
K.O.S.B. "B"	2	–	–	2	1	5	–

LOCAL BILLIARDS.

C. AND P.O's. BEAT CHINESE POLICE RESERVE.

An extremely keen game played in the Ch. and P.O's. Recreation rooms against the Chinese Police Reserve resulted in a win for the Ch. and P.O's. by two points.

Ch. and P.O's.		H.K.C.P.R.	
Spry	129.	Sinn	150.
Mitch	150.	Pong	140.
Dean	104.	Wong	150.
McKenzie	150.	Cheah	72.
Hamblyn	150.	Yip	96.
Fairburn	77.	Kwok	150.
	760.		758.

REMARKABLE PLAN.

INCREASED PRODUCTION BY RHYTHM.

For some time past it has been possible to observe that our factories are increasingly losing touch with a natural arrangement of the work done. The attitude while at work, the speed, the way of sitting and walking are constantly becoming more forced and cramped so that the work in the factory often presents the picture of forced labour.

The observation of this led me to the solution of the question of work in a business in which the production was constantly falling off. Brief observation showed that an electric ventilator and also belt-gearing made an unpleasant sound in a room in which goods were packed. This sound was absolutely contrary to the movements to be made when at work, i.e. at the moment when the movement made in working was rapid the sound was slow and, similarly, fast when the movement was slow. I had this sound altered so that it formed a rhythmical accompaniment to the work. The short working movement was accompanied by a short sound and the long movement by a long sound, with the immediate result that *the work done in the business substantially increased.*

Striking Experiments.

Stimulated by this I carried out a series of experiments. In one case boxes of cigarettes were being filled. The separate movements of the workers engaged in doing this were first carefully studied, after which various devices were employed to produce humming tones, of which the length corresponded as far as possible to the separate working movements. The effect was very quickly demonstrated: the working capacity increased enormously, in individual cases by 20 per cent. and even more. If the sounds were changed so that they were in opposition to the movements, the workpeople became nervous and the working capacity finally decreased partly slowly and partly suddenly.

It was also demonstrated that in the case of untrained workmen who were to be taught a particular job the training could be completed more quickly and in a shorter time if a rhythmical accompaniment of sound was employed to assist the process. The period of training was reduced by more than one half.

Experiments in a large yarn-twisting business where this method was adopted resulted in the production having already risen by about 15% some time ago as compared with what it was formerly. In addition to this it became evident that people remained fresher in rooms in which this system was adopted than in rooms where it was not yet introduced. The directors of the factory decided on this account to introduce the system at once in the whole factory.

Noise Effects.

In another factory I was called in to give an opinion because the temperature regulators constructed by a group of workmen proved to have structural defects in 60 cases out of 80. I ascertained that the cause was the terrific noise caused by a brazier's forge situated in the same room.

This plant was removed and the result was that the same group of workmen in the same working time as before constructed 110 instead of 80 temperature regulators and of these only 7 were defective!

To summarize, it may be said that a rhythmical support adapted to the work by means of sounds of the same kind which do not vary in pitch has a powerful stimulating effect on the amount of work performed and the well-being of the workmen. If expertly applied it guarantees considerable increase of output in the case of recurring work, that is to say in the case of modern factory work in general, and is thus of unusual practical importance.—E. Sassenberg.

AGAINST DOG RACING.

PETITION BY CHINESE RATEPAYERS AT SHANGHAI.

(Our Own Correspondent.)

Shanghai, Aug. 5.

The Chinese Ratepayers' Association is to address petitions to the Senior Consul, Mr. Edwin Cunningham; the Mayor of the Chinese Municipality, Mr. Chang Chun; the Commissioner of Foreign Affairs, Mr. Hsu Mou; the French Consul General, M. E. Koechlin; and the Secretary of the Shanghai Municipal Council, Mr. S. M. Edwards, requesting that Chinese be forbidden to attend dog racing in the foreign Concessions.

It is understood that the Provisional Court is being requested to issue an order banning attendance at dog racing, which is called an unnecessary evil, causing much suffering.

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NEW SERIAL.

HIGH FLIGHT.

By Ruth Dewey Groves.

THIS HAS HAPPENED.

Jerry Ray decides that love is a delusion and makes up her mind to marry for money. She works in a store and denies herself petty luxuries in order to save for a vacation at Atlantic City in "the best hotel." But her money is stolen the night before her departure, and she is stunned by the loss. Nothing remains but to go camping with her room-mate, Myrtle, on the north shore of Long Island.

But their camp is wrecked the first evening when an airplane crashes into it. Young Alester Carstairs, from an adjoining estate, was taking a lesson from his pilot, Dan Harvey. They escape injury; also Myrtle, but Dan picks Jerry up unconscious from a blow on the head. He is holding her in his arms when she comes to. Then Alester sends him for the doctor and pays Myrtle for the damage.

The doctor finds Jerry not seriously injured, but desires to make a fuller examination next day. Both men offer to drive her to his office and Jerry accepts Alester because of his money, although her heart dictates Dan. After calling at the doctor's and being told that rest and quiet was the only cure required, Alester took Jerry for a long drive and stopped at the Rolling Stone Inn. The girl was surprised when the tea she expected turned out to be liquor.

CHAPTER VI.

Jerry turned to see who or what had brought that queer expression to Alester's face.

She saw nothing more startling than an unusually attractive woman, in her late twenties perhaps, coming toward them.

The newcomer was dressed in black and white chiffon and around her full, creamy throat she wore a choker of cabochon rubies. This much Jerry saw before Alester rose from his chair to greet her.

Jerry sought to keep her mind on the rules for introductions that she had read in a book on etiquette when she was preparing for her invasion of Atlantic City. She remembered that a woman need not rise, unless.....what was it? Something about age. She'd better sit still, she decided.

"Leontine—this is Miss Ray. Miss Ray, Miss Lebaudy," Alester was introducting them.

"How do you do?" Jerry said, remembering just in time not to say, "Pleased to meet you."

Leontine Lebaudy said nothing for what threatened to become an awkward length of time. Then: "New to us, aren't you?" she drawled.

Jerry looked helplessly at Alester.

"That can be corrected," he said, smiling.

Leontine forward briefly.

"Of course," she said hurriedly, letting her eyes rove over the table. "How's your drink?"

"Not so good," Alester replied. "Miss Ray doesn't like it."

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Leontine looked at Jerry questioningly. The latter did not like the look. She could not define the quality in it that displeased her, but the word "patronizing" flashed through her mind and she couldn't have hit much closer. Leontine Lebaudy had estimated Jerry quickly as an outsider.

Jerry decided to be natural. She did not drink and they might as well know it. She wasn't going to apologize for it either.

"I never drink intoxicating liquors," she said stiffly, and Leontine turned to Alester with uplifted eyebrows.

"Are you undertaking her education?" she said.

"I think I'd rather learn from Miss Ray how to be good," he answered slowly.

Leontine gave him a furious glance. Jerry was aware by this time that they were crossing swords.

"Who gave you this table?" Leontine said crossly. "It's reserved for dinner. I didn't want it used."

Alester half closed his eyelids but not sufficiently to hide a gleam of amusement in his eyes as he answered.

"This table is for me whenever I want it," he said. "You know that, Leontine."

To Jerry's amazement the woman he addressed turned a suddenly appealing look upon him.

"But you never want it any more, Alester," she said; and Jerry had the sensation of feeling her presence forgotten.

"Not since I learned who else reserves it," Alester returned coolly. "I prefer something more exclusive."

The woman shrank back as though from a blow, but the next instant she laughed.

Some people can't be dropped, you know," she said almost under her breath. "It is not safe."

Jerry thought she detected a pleading note in her voice, but if it were there, Alester seemed unaware of it.

"So far as I know," he said, "You never tried it. But you can fix up another table. Miss Ray and I will keep this one and stay to dinner."

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Again that cringe, so fleeting that Jerry was to wonder later if she really had seen it, and Leontine made a motion of resignation.

"Let's have some radio music," Alester added. "I'd like to dance."

Leontine Lebauty left them. Jerry felt a twinge of pain in her head and remembered that the doctor had ordered quietude. This was certainly not being quiet, she thought, when Alester insisted that they dance. He must have forgotten about her recent injury.

It tired her to dance, but she felt she ought to do it inasmuch as she would not drink. You could not be thinking only of yourself when you were another person's guest.

She wished that Alester had not been so disagreeable to Miss Lebaudy. Perhaps they ought to give up the table. She started to suggest as much but at her first words Alester silenced her.

"It is my table," he said firmly, and Jerry could not dispute him.

But Miss Lebaudy seemed to blame her. Now and then when she came to their table as hostess—Alester had said she owned the place—Jerry could fairly feel her animosity. But her dark eyes wore a non-committal expression and her words were pleasant enough. Jerry's sense of an undercurrent of ill feeling was based on something too intangible to put into words.

And her impression that Alester was deliberately wounding Miss Lebaudy at every opportunity persisted. It occured to Jerry that he might have brought her there as an offence to Leontine. She began to feel miserable.

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"I think I'd like you to take me home," she said at the end of a dance. "It isn't fair of me to leave my friend alone."

"She doesn't expect you," Alester objected. "I told her not to. And you know you said she's going to New York with someone tonight."

"I'd like to go with them," Jerry explained. "I have to get some things."

"I'll drive you in," Alester offered.

Jerry could not find any further excuse to leave so she sighed and drank some more tea.

She noticed that Alester watched the door pretty closely as the dinner hour drew near and more people arrived. She found herself doing the same under the power of his expectation, though she did not understand it.

"Oh, there's Mr. Harvey," she cried in pleased surprise as Dan came and stood in the doorway, looking around the room. Alester glanced at her sharply, noting the eagerness that she herself was unconscious of.

She thought he might go over, or signal Dan, and invite him to join them, but he purposely avoided looking his way after the first glance. Dan saw them, however, and came up without any encouragement.

By the time he reached their table Jerry had curbed her natural emotion. Both greeted him unenthusiastically. Dan did not appear to notice their lack of cordiality.

"Got the plane back to the hangar," he said, to make conversation. Alester mumbled some comment.

Jerry was wondering what had brought Dan there. Could it have been of him that Alester and Miss Lebaudy were talking when they had their verbal skirmish over the table reservation? She looked at Dan with new interest. Alester had implied that whoever was his competitor for the reservation was not exclusive. And Miss Lebaudy had hinted that he was dangerous.

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Certainly Dan Harvey did not look dangerous unless you considered him as a rival in affairs of the heart. Jerry felt her own skip a beat as he took a swift appraisal of her features. Why did he look at her like that? What did he expect?

She saw Leontine coming toward them and half anticipated a denouement. But nothing out of the *ordinary happened*. Leontine greeted Dan casually and he was briefly courteous to her.

"Have a dance with me, Alester?" Leontine begged. She wanted to talk to him alone but hadn't had an opportunity until there was someone to take his place with Jerry. "Miss Ray has monopolized you all afternoon. She can dance once with Dan."

The musicians had arrived and the music was now tantalizing to dancing feet. Jerry looked at Dan expectantly. He spoke directly to her disregarding the other two.

"You don't look fit to dance," he said quietly. "You're pale as a sheet. Alester ought to take you home."

"Dan's right," Alester admitted contritely. "I forgot the doctor told you to keep quiet."

"Sit out this dance, then," Leontine said to Jerry. "Dinner will be served immediately."

Jerry nodded. Alester and Leontine swept away. She let her eyes follow them to avoid looking at Dan. Why had it to be he who was thoughtful, she was asking herself discontentedly. But she must remember, a man of Alester Carstairs' position probably had a thousand things to think of while Dan Harvey had one—his job, most likely.

Dan did not press conversation upon her. He asked if he might smoke and Jerry looked at him in astonishment. She did not know that anyone any longer asked permission to do that.

"Go ahead," she said shortly and Dan puffed away in silence.

Leontine and Alester, on the contrary, were deep in some subject. Jerry thought they made a handsome couple and they danced divinely together. She doubted if she could dance as well as Leontine, and she was considered a first rate dancer.

There was flashing grace in the woman's movement that brought to Jerry's mind thoughts of the jungle. Her dark hair, straight as a black-bird's wing, shone like lacquered ebony. She held her face turned up to Alester's so that he could look deep into her eyes. She knew her beauty stirred him. The embrace of the dance, the subtle perfume creeping like a breath from some far garden, all had their potency.

Leontine knew how to choose her moments.

"Please," she coaxed; "please Allie."

(*To be Continued.*)

THE SECTIONAL FILM.

ITS ACTUALITY AND PURPOSE.

The idea of the sectional film was that of the Berlin film stage manager, Dr. Kalbus. He took about fifty films in which the popular film actress Henny Porten appeared and showed, in sections from them which he joined together, the line of development and the increase in the actress's art of acting.

The task was more comprehensive in the second sectional film which Dr. Kalbus and I prepared together. This film is an attempt to represent the development of a problem which has occupied all ages alike and it is entitled "All about Love."

After very careful examination and selection of film reels of all periods of film production we had to link up disconnected matter and mould the contents into a single whole. In order to give a slight idea of this film a scene from it will be briefly described.

In the section devoted to classical lovers the spectator witnesses the parting scene between Siegfried and Kriemhilde (from the film "The Nibelungs"). The next picture follows without a break: it appears that Henry VIII of England (from the) film "Anne Boleyn") has sped on the proceedings from the background; he comes forward, and then begins the great scene between him and Anne Boleyn. The combination of two items so different in time and theme may sound odd at first. But this is not the case when it is seen. The scene is explained to the dispassionate spectator by a title at the beginning and, in addition, a pictorial combination is achieved which soothes the eye.

Development of Mankind.

In addition to its theme proper this film offers a plenitude of accessory matter such as the development of fashions in dress, the rise of town development and much more of the kind.

We witness, for example, in this film the changing history of Berlin, from the Potsdamer Platz of prewar times with its horse omibuses, rare taxis and tramcars with their antediluvian charm, up to the bustle and traffic of the present day. The changes in the art of scenery, in the ideas of stage management and in the manner of acting are also apparent. Distorted facial expression characterizes the epoch of the film prior to 1918.

A naturalistic representation of details which almost exceeds the bounds of what is artistically permissible appears as evidence of the history of the period following the years of privation of the war. This is followed by a display of pomp in the inflation period.

This single example of a sectional film renders it clear how the film, for the first time in the history of cinematography, provides remarkable possibilities for comparison not only of methods and work but also of all that has to do with life. A living history of dress makes its appearance. Political events, jubilees, natural phenomena, the results of exploration and a thousand and one other matters which the reporter has recorded with his camera will be resurrected in the sectional film and become a moving chronicle of international events. And these will be shewn not as detached facts but in practical systematic connexion with similar matters, in perceptible connexion and actual development. In other words: in the sectional film we have the development of civilization itself presented before our eyes by the film in a so far unknown plastic way—*By John Stanhope.*

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BARRISTER'S FRAUD.

MONEY FOR JOURNEYS WHICH HE NEVER MADE.

London, June 29.

At the London Sessions William Stuart Bates, aged 31, a barrister and a Civil Servant, pleaded guilty to making false entries in certain documents with intent to defaud the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries, where he was employed. He was bound over.

Mr. J. F. Eastwood, prosecuting, said that the case was a sad one. Bates had been putting in various claims and obtaining money for journeys which he had never made.

Mr. Byrne (defending) described the case as an absolute tragedy.

"This young man was faced with almost insuperable difficulties," he said. "In order to try to make two ends meet he did this ridiculous thing. At 31 he is absolutely ruined."

He added that Bates would lose his pension and his position, and undoubtedly would be disbarred.

Sir Robert Wallace, K.C., (addressing Bates)—You have made a fearful beginning to your life. It is very difficult for a man who has committed an offence of this kind. There is a very rough road to travel.

SPIRIT SHIP'S SECRET ORDERS.

CAPTAIN'S PURSUIT OF 65,000 DOLLARS.

Berlin, July 3.

The Supreme Court of the Reich at Leipzig has upheld a lower court's conviction of the captain and mate of a spirit-smuggling ship for denouncing their employer to the American authorities.

In the opening chapter of the story told in court, a special ship is being fitted up in Holland with suitable tanks for smuggling alcohol.

It has been built, according to the evidence, to the order of an American, Mr. Strallo.

When the vessel was brought to the free harbour at Hamburg its tanks were filled with spirit to be smuggled.

Herr Thode was engaged as captain and Herr Petersen as mate.

Their instructions were to take the steamer through the Panama Canal to the Californian coast, where their employer would arrange to land the cargo in boats.

To Make Dollars Both Ways.

But (said some of the witnesses) the German captain and mate, like Mr. Strallo, saw a chance of making more money. They called on the U.S. Consul at Hamburg and told him of the plot to smuggle alcohol into his country.

They were given a letter of recommendation to the American authorities, and started on the voyage with the pleasant feeling that, besides their salary, they would get a reward of 65,000 dollars for handing over the prohibited liquor.

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It was on August 28, 1927, that the smugglers' ship left Hamburg.

Forty-five days later she arrived at Colon, the entrance to the Panama Canal.

Colon, Panama, is not under the U.S. Prohibition law, and could give no reward. The German captain steered his ship to New Orleans, where it was seized, according to programme, by the Prohibtions authorities of Louisiana.

Here the owner successfully disputed the decision of the authorities. He declared that the cargo was to be sold in the Pacific outside the prohibition zone.

As up to that point there had been no infringement of the American customs and prohibition laws, the authorities were obliged to restore to him his ship, which sailed for the Pacific—(it is stated)—where half of the spirit was got ashore in boats before the authorities acted, and poured the remaining half into the sea.

Captain Thode and Herr Petersen thus returned to Hamburg without 65,000 dollars which they had expected to receive.

At last the German authorities had them charged with unfaithfulness to their employers. Both were convicted, and Captain Thode was condemned to eight months' imprisonment and Petersen, as the initiator of the plan, to a year's imprisonment.

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Humorous Talking by Norman Long.
"William Tell," (Rossini) Overture,
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"Mary," (Richardson)
Tenor, John Turner.
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Victor Opera Company.
"Poppy," (J. M. Lacalle),
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4.—The order of letters cannot be changed.

One solution is printed on another page.

CHINESE AVIATION.

QUESTION OF PERSONNEL AND NEED OF FUNDS.

Canton, Aug. 5.

As previously intimated, General Chang Wai-chang, the chief of the Canton Aviation Bureau, returned to Canton yesterday morning by the s.s. Fatshan. He was welcomed at the wharf by his staff and cadets of the Aviation School, and after a brief conversation with friends he proceeded to his residence at Tungshan.

In an interview, General Chang said that the object of his return was principally to report to General Chan Ming-shu on the proceedings of the Sino-Russian dispute at Nanking; and he denied the report that he was to be Chief of the National Administration of Aviation.

When asked in regard to the attitude of the Central Government towards aviation, the General replied that while in Nanking he attended an informal meeting with Chiang Kai-shek, in which the subject of national aviation was gone into very fully. As the outcome of that meeting, China is to be divided for the purpose of aviation into four principal districts, subject to the control of the Central Aviation Administration, and, during the period of Political Tutelage, civil and military aviation is to be advanced energetically both by the Central Government and the provinces.

All admit that the main difficulty is to train skilful pilots in sufficiently large numbers for aviation projects and to provide the necessary funds for aerial development.

The question of the Aero Club at Shanghai, which was reported not to be in a flourishing state, was put to the General, who gave the information that Chiang Kai-shek had asked him to take over and reorganize the club, a procedure which he carried out on the 25rd of last month.—*Canton News Agency.*

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are hereby notified that their cargo will be discharged into Holt's Wharf Kowloon, where it will lie at Consignee's risk and subject to terms and conditions of storage at Holt's Wharf. The Cargo will be ready for delivery from Godown on and after 3rd August.

Optional cargo will not be landed here, unless notice has been given prior to steamer's arrival but carried on from port to port to the final port of call to which the option extends.

All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays and Fridays between the hours of 10:45 a.m. and noon within the free storage period.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 9th August, will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or beore the 23rd Aug., or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Hongkong, 3rd August, 1929.

AFTER THREE YEARS.

VICISSITUDES OF A PIRATED STEAM LAUNCH.

Canton, Aug. 5.

After having lost sight of its steam launch "Ying Ying" for over three years, the British firm, Nam Wa Company, has recently recovered it, largely through the assistance of the Commissioner of the Foreign Office, Mr. Tao Li-him.

It appears that the launch had been chartered by a Chinese merchant named Chang Sing, and that while the boat was lying near Tai Sha Tau Island in June, 1926, it was suddenly pounced upon by pirates and taken to a place called Lai Chi Sang. Its possession by the pirates proved, however, to be short-lived, for no sooner did the launch arrive at its destination, then it was in turn captured by the 13th Division of the 4th Army.

When this division was incorporated into the 5th Army, it continued to make use of the launch. In the recent war, the same division was defeated in the East River sector, and the launch was taken among other spoils and handed over to Headquarters, by which it was subsequently transferred to the Public Office for the Protection of Commercial Navigation.

Learning of the whereabouts of the long-lost launch, the British Consul General called on the Foreign Commissioner for his help to recover the vessel. Mr. Tao, who, by the way, seldom misses an opportunity to foster Sino-British relations, promptly got in touch with Headquarters, with the result that orders were sent to the above office to return the boat to its British owners. But investigation by that office proved that the launch had been registered in the name of the Chinese merchant Chang Sing. Happily, however, the latter admitted that the Nam Wa Co. were the actual owners, and other proofs of ownership being produced, the launch was eventually returned to the company on July 28.—*Canton News Agency.*

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All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 22nd August, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 7th August, at 10 a.m. by Messrs. Goddard and Douglas.

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N. Y. K. LINE.

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The Steamship
KITANO MARU,"

having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

Goods not cleared by the 11th August, 1929, will be subject to rent.

Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignee's and the Co.'s representatives on any Tuesdays and Fridays, at 2.30 p.m. within the free storage Period.

All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

No fire insurance has been effected.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA,
Agents.

Hongkong, 4th August, 1929.

LETTER GOLF SOLUTION.

Here is the solution to the puzzle on another page.

ARMY, ARMS, AIMS, DIMS, DAMS, DAME, NAME, NAVE, NAVY.

FIGHT ON SEISTAN.

MEMBERS OF FORMER CREW ATTACK BOATSWAIN.

The dismissal of the old crew and the appointment in their places of other men led to dissatisfaction among the ex-seamen of the s.s. Seistan on Saturday and on the arrival of the newly appointed boatswain on board the ship which was anchored off the Cosmopolitan Dock, the discharged men set upon him.

The Second Officer, Mr. G. A. Elias, arrived on the scene and found the boatswain lying on the deck with a large crowd of people surrounding him. Three of the assailants were taken into custody and later handed over to the Police who had them charged before Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday morning.

The first of the three men claimed that he had found the other two and the complainant engaged in a fight and had attempted to separate them. The other two admitted assaulting the complainant.

His Worship: Well, was it three to one?

First Defendant: Two to one, I was separating them.

In explaining the circumstances of the incident Sub-Inspector James mentioned that it was the duty of the complainant, as boatswain, to engage the new crew. The discharged seamen apparently knew he was the new boatswain and when he arrived on board to see the Chief Officer they immediately attacked him. The complainant was wounded in a number of places but not seriously. He was assaulted with small pieces of wood.

Sub-Inspector James stated that the second officer could not say whether the first defendant was one of the assailants. The other two were as they had blood on their hands. The charge against the first defendant was therefore withdrawn.

It was mentioned that the former crew was not discharged because they were unsatisfactory but because of the expiration of their agreements. The master was engaging a new crew.

Addressing the two defendants his Worship said that it was rather cowardly for several men to set upon one man.

The second defendant replied that there were only two of them concerned.

Each of the two defendants was fined $5.

HONGKONG BUILT.

DR. HARPER'S YACHT ARRIVES AT SAN FRANCISCO.

Victoria, B.C., July 13.

After making the seven hundred-mile run from Cape Flattery in five and one-half days, Dr. John Harper, of the Royal Victoria Yacht Club, sailed his 44-foot auxiliary ketch, Fayth, through the Golden Gate, and let go his anchor opposite the San Francisco Yacht Club after a remarkably quick and successful passage.

Dr. Harper, together with Captain Arthur Ray, his son, Hugo Ray, James Thacker and George McCandless, left Victoria last week, but were held up at Tatoosh owing to bad weather. They left Cape Flattery on the morning of Friday, July 5, and ran all the way down to San Francisco with a following wind. It was Dr. Harper's intention to keep some two hundred miles from the coast, out of the coastal traffic lanes, but in the track of ocean-going shipping.

Fayth was built in Hongkong in the year 1921, and it was originally intended to take her to England. Owing to the sickness of her owner, however, she was brought to Victoria in one of the Blue Funnel steamers, for disposal, and was bought by Dr. Harper in the year 1923. She is fitted with a Redwing engine, and is a thoroughly comfortable sea-boat, easy to handle and with plenty of freeboard.

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The time en route from Hongkong to San Francisco has been shortened to 22 days only, thereby giving shippers from Hongkong the opportunity of landing their goods in San Francisco in quicker time than ever before in the history of the port.

Trans-Pacific travellers will now be enabled to shorten their journey by many days and to travel over the calm, sunny route of the Southern Pacific Ocean. This route will undoubtedly appeal to many of the old travellers as well as to those who wish to shorten their journey.

A Round-the-World Liner.

The s.s. President Hayes has been in the Dollar Line's Round-the-World service, having made 17 complete voyages, circling the globe always on schedule. Captain Cadogan, assisted by the same Officers who have helped to make the s.s. President Hayes so popular with globe-trotters in the past, will be in command. Many new features of entertainment have been added in order to give passengers the greatest possible pleasure while on board.

The local Manager of The Robert Dollar Company states that a regular monthly service will be maintained for the time being, but that it is anticipated that the service will soon be in so great demand that the Dollar Steamship Line anticipate the necessity of operating a fortnightly service. The Dollar Steamship Line are building a number of new and larger ships to place in their round-the-world service, and as rapidly as these vessels are completed the present round-the-world President liners will be released for the new Hongkong to San Francisco direct service.

A New Schedule.

A new combined schedule of Dollar Steamship Line and American Mail Line services is in preparation at the present time and will be in the hands of shippers and tourist agencies in the very near future.

The Dollar Steamship Line, since the inauguration of their first passenger service, has constantly enlarged its scope of operations to meet the demands of the shipping and travelling public, and the placing of the s.s. President Hayes and other vessels in this new direct service is in line with the policy of Captain Robert Dollar, which has always been so successful, to give the public what it wants.

According to Captain Robert Dollar, one reason for the remarkable success of his steamship services is that the vessels operate on a published schedule covering arrived and sailing dates for months, or years, in advance, and they always maintain their schedule. Importers and exporters throughout the Orient and round-the-world have learned through actual experience that the Dollar Steamship Line Schedule is dependable.

It is anticipated that the new service mentioned above will prove very popular with the Hongkong public.

CHATER BUNGALOW.

TO BE HEADQUARTERS OF FRIENDLY LEAGUE.

The Friendly League for Christian Service will open with a four days' Prayer and Bible Conference on Wednesday at the Chater Bungalow.

One of the objects of the League is to perform rescue work amongst Chinese slave girls, but plans also embrace the problem of finding suitable hostels for children (including Europeans) attending school in Hongkong.

After the Missionary Conference at Cheung Chow last summer, the Friendly League started a hostel for missionary children attending the Central and Junior British Schools. They thus met the need of a hostel for preparatory work.

The next plan is to find a suitable hostel for girls. Owing to political and financial conditions missionaries in South China find it difficult to continue sending their children to the American school in Shanghai and the China Inland Mission School in Chefoo. Missionaries are desirous of securing the advantages offered by British schools, hence the desire for a dwelling place for their children while studying in Hongkong.

Girls' Hostel.

A house is available at Cheung Chow for the accommodation of girls, during vacations, first of all from the Central British School. Anyone wishing to take advantage of this is asked to call at the Chater Bungalow at 2.30 p.m. on Thursday afternoon next, when a meeting will be held in this connexion.

The League is desirous of commencing certain supplementary classes in connexion with the hostel.

"Mui-Tsai" Problem.

While the League earnestly desires to aid helpless "mui-tsai" as much as possible, and as speedily, it regrets that at the moment it cannot offer them accommodation at Chater Bungalow. For the time being Chater Bungalow will be used for girls attending the C.B.S., and for lady workers in the League's cause.

The Rev. R. A. Jaffray, who returns from a three months tour of the South Seas, will open the Prayer and Bible Conference at 8 p.m. on Wednesday and similar services will take place daily until Sunday. A meeting to discuss the hostel projects will be held at 2.30 p.m. on Thursday, and on Friday at the same hour a meeting will be held for those interested in rescue work amongst the Chinese girls.

THE HIGHEST YET.

AMERICAN BUSINESS REACHES A NEW LEVEL.

Washington, Aug. 5.

American business for 1928 is described in the Commerce Department's Annual Year Book as reaching the "highest level ever attained."—*Reuter's American Service.*

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MALWA	10,980	17th Aug.	Bombay, M'les & L'don
*KASHMIR	8,985	31st Aug.	Marseilles, L'don & Hull
MOREA	10,954	14th Sept.	Bombay, M'les & London
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TALMA	10,000	31st Aug.	S'pore, Penang & Calcutta
DALGOMA	5,953	4th Sept.	S'pore, Penang & Calcutta
TAKADA	6,949	5th Sept.	S'pore, Penang & Calcutta

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MOREA	10,954	16th Aug.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yoko
TAKADA	6,949	16th Aug.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka
GARBETA	5,327	20th Aug.	Moji, Kobe & Osaka
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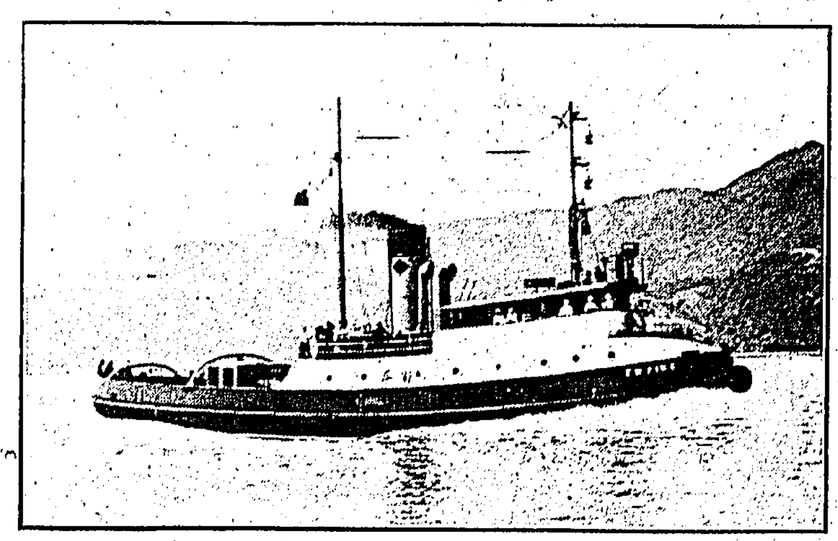

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PACIFICATION OF EUROPE.

REPARATION CONFERENCE AT THE HAGUE.

BRITISH OPTIMISM.

The Hague, Aug. 5.

Thirteen nations, the most interested of which are Great Britain, France, Germany, Italy, Belgium and Japan, will be represented at the most important conference of the Powers opening to-morrow with the object of settling the reparations problems and the question of the evacuation of the Rhineland.

It is hoped that as the result of the conference the final pacification of Europe will be achieved. The delegates are most optimistic on the whole.

It is an open secret that the British delegation will strongly press for the evacuation of the Rhineland as soon as possible. Mr. Arthur Henderson, the British Foreign Secretary, in an interview with Reuter's representative, expressed the opinion that the conference would certainly lead to the withdrawal of foreign troops from the Rhineland.

A German delegate was not so confident, but he said that Germany expected a binding Anglo-French promise of evacuation as soon as the Young Plan came into operation. The delegate also indicated that the German Government might compromise on the French proposal for a Committee of Verification and Conciliation in the Rhineland, provided the Committee was not imposed beyond 1935.—*Reuter.*

Later.

The views of the German delegate are not in accord with that of the German Government circles. It is pointed out from Berlin that the latter consider the evacuation of the Rhineland is no longer a matter for argument and the German delegation has been instructed to insist that this claim be settled independently of the other problems.

Furthermore, if the Conference desires to liquidate financially the consequences of the war, the demand for a "Conciliation Committee" must be dropped.—*Reuter.*

TYPHOON HAVOC IN INDO-CHINA.

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School Children in Peril.

The Sablettes Hotel, where a large number of French school children were boarded during their summer vacation, had its roof completely carried away. Fortunately, earlier on, the children had been moved to the ground floor, where they remained until compelled to move out of the building altogether on a warning being given by the collapse of the upper floor.

Three buildings were demolished beyond recognition. The home of M. Videau, a sculptor, was lifted up from its foundations and carried away, leaving the unfortunate man with but a sofa and a few chairs surrounding him.

Junks Carried Inland.

The villas bordering the seafront received the full force of the blow, and there is hardly one that remains undamaged. The force of the waves, lashed as they were by the ferocity of the wind, was such that they hurled large blocks of stone from the sea-wall, while junks were carried inland and deposited on the rice-fields.

River dykes also gave way, and the road to Haiphong became flooded.

Reports were also received of considerable havoc wrought on other towns, while at Phuly, two persons were killed and many others injured by the falling of uprooted trees.

Railway communication between Haiphong and Saigon is for the moment at a standstill owing to damage done to railway stations.

At Nam Dinh, which felt the full effects of the typhoon, the visitation was in the nature of a big disaster. No building was spared. All were more or less damaged, and several deaths are reported.

WATER LEVELS.

FOR WEST, NORTH AND EAST RIVERS.

The following table, compiled by the Board of Conservancy Works of Kwangtung, shows the water levels in English feet on the West, North and East Rivers on the dates named:

	Aug. 4	Aug. 5
Shiuhing	25.6	23.4
Tsingyuen	9.0	8.2
Shamshui	16.6	14.9
Sheklung	7.4	7.3

JUTE MILL STRIKE IN CALCUTTA.

INTIMIDATION OF WEAVERS CREATES CRISIS.

POLICE ON THE ALERT.

Calcutta, Aug. 5.

Intimidation, which the authorities have so far been unable to counter, has created a serious situation in the Bengal jute industry. The mill strike has extended alarmingly, owing to propaganda by agitators, and over 20,000 looms, approximately 40 per cent. of the total in the Calcutta area are no longer working.

Approximately 120,000 weavers have been thrown idle as the result of the strike, and a number of women weavers who did not arrive at work this morning declared they were contented with the wages, but had been threatened with molestation if they went to work.

The jute strike originated in a demand by the weavers for extra pay for the extra hours on Saturdays, following the introduction of a sixty-hour week.

The mill-owners announced that they proposed to pay the weavers at the old rates, with a bonus from July 23rd, but they complained that the weavers had been intimidated.

The situation is relatively quiet, but the police have been strongly reinforced and many Labour leaders have been placed under sureties for their good behaviour.—*Reuter.*

GRAF ZEPPELIN IN AMERICA.

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ditions. In crossing the Atlantic on this occasion, Dr. Eckener deliberately chose the longer route of going via Gibraltar in order to avoid a low pressure area off Ireland, and to give a greater margin of safey in the event of it becoming necessary to run before a storm.

The present trip is the third attempted flight of the Graf Zeppelin to America. The first and third were successful, but the second, made several weeks ago, failed, the airship turning back owing to engine trouble.

Sir Hubert Wilkins, the noted Arctic explorer, was among the passengers.—*Reuter.*

AIRSHIP PERFORMANCES.

		Hours.
1919	R 34 crossed the Atlantic in	108
	She returned in	75
1928	ZR 3 (Los. Angeles)	80
1928	LZ 127 (Graf Zeppelin)	111
1928	Graf Zeppelin (return)	68½
1929	Graf Zeppelin ...	93¾

SIX TSINGTAO MILLS SHUT DOWN.

TROUBLE SOON SETTLED, HOWEVER.

Shanghai, Aug. 6.

Six Japanese cotton mills at Tsingtao suddenly closed down on Sunday morning, throwing thousands of Chinese operatives out of work.

The operatives had returned to work as usual, when they were surprised to see notices posted outside the buildings to the effect that the works were shut down.

The workers immediately applied to the municipal authorities for assistance.

Latest news is that the dispute between the workers and their employers, the precise nature of which has not been disclosed, has been settled, and that work is being resumed.—*Nam Chung Po.*

FAILED TO PRODUCE LICENCE.

MISS GRACE HO TUNG FINED THIS MORNING.

Miss Grace Ho Tung appeared before Mr. E. W. Hamilton, at the Central Magistracy this morning, when a batch of traffic summonses was dealt with, on the charge of failing to produce her licence when called upon to do so by Sgt. Kelly at about 5 p.m. on July 29 at Leighton Hill Road. She was then driving private car No. 2331.

"Is that correct?," asked his Worship.

"Yes," answered Miss Ho Tung.

"$5, That's the usual fine, Miss Ho Tung."

JAPANESE NAVAL AMBITION.

NEW RATIO DEMANDED FOR AUXILIARY SHIPS.

LIMITATION AGREED.

Tokyo, Aug. 5.

What appears to be confirmation of Japan's intention of urging a 10-10-7 ratio with Great Britain and the United States in respect of auxiliary war vessels, was contained in a speech delivered by the Minister for the Navy to-day, at a conference of the Prefectural Governors.

Referring to the question of naval limitation, brought into the forefront by the recent conversations between Mr. Ramsay MacDonald and General Dawes, the U.S. Ambassador in London, Admiral Takarabe is quoted as saying that although some observers affirm that Japan's insistence on a different ratio for auxiliary vessels is based on a weak foundation, they are wrong. He declared that the demand has a firm basis.

Consequently, Japan will insist upon this new ratio and endeavour to obtain the acquiescence of the powers at the future disarmament conference.

While emphasising the necessity for this ratio, Admiral Takarabe asserted that Japanese naval experts are in favour of further disarmament for the sake of world peace.

Though the Minister for the Navy apparently failed to specify what new ratio will be demanded, it is presumed that he referred to 10-10-7, as this has been frequently mentioned in the past.—*Reuter.*

ROBBED NEXT DOOR NEIGHBOUR.

YOUNG CHINESE WHO "HAD THE WIND UP."

A young Chinese of Sheung Un Ling, Kowloon City, was charged before Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, with larceny of $45.40 from an elderly woman residing in a matshed in the village.

The defendant pleaded guilty.

According to Inspector Phillips, the complainant left her matshed at 3 p. m. yesterday, leaving her money in a basket. On her return, she found the basket was missing and later discovered it outside the hut. The money, however, had been taken.

Enquiries were made and the defendant,—who lived next door, was questioned. He admitted taking the money and conducted the police to the rear of his house where he had buried it.

His Worship:—He seems to have owned up very quickly.

Inspector Phillips:—Yes he probably got the wind up.

Sentence of one month's hard labour was imposed.

MR. BALDWIN'S CALL.

WARNING THAT TORY PARTY MAY DIE.

"If the party does not grapple to itself the young men, it must inevitably die of apathy," said Mr. Baldwin at a meeting in London of the Central Council of the National Union of Conservative and Unionist Associations.

"The strain of modern politics is great," he added, "and it is essential, not only to help us, but for the party and for the future, that we should have a large recruitment coming into our ranks of really young men—because the future is with them.

"I hold the position I hold entirely by your good will and your consent; and the moment there is anyone else that you wish to take my place, I will surrender that place and go right out of politics."

It was decided to recommend to the chairman of the party (Mr. J. C. C. Davidson) that he should address a questionnaire to each of the constituency associations to ascertain their opinions as to the causes of the defeat at the election.

No direct reference to the recent attacks on the party chairman was made at the meeting.

WARSHIPS IN PORT.

The following warships are in port:

Basin.—H.M.S. Tamar.

North Arm.—H.M.S. Sandwich.

West Wall Dock.—H.M.S. Castor.

In Dock.—L19 and H.M.S. Cicala.

Foreign.—U.S.S. Mindanao.

INVENTOR DEAD.

Vienna, Aug. 6.

The death has occurred of von Welsbach, the inventor of the incandescent gas-mantle.—*Reuter.*

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